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At Barker & Co.'s, 29 Market street, prints this day at 12½ cents per yard, white muslin at 10½ cts., unbleached muslin at 12½ cents.

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The Great News.

We write in the belief that GRANT has delivered a blow that LEE cannot withstand. The movement began on Wednesday, and though interfered with somewhat by one of those storms which on more than one occasion have proved more formidable than rebel armies, was persisted in in spite of everything. The battle appears to have been a general one—the attack having been from all sides, SHERIDAN coming down from the west, to which point he must have penetrated with remarkable celerity.

From Gen. Grant, through President Lincoln, we have the assurance that "after three days hard fighting, during which both armies exhibited unsurpassed valor," his army won "triumphant success." Mr. Lincoln, in terms less military than expressive, says there was a "grand smash up of the rebel line of works in front of Petersburg."

The entire forces on both sides seem to have been engaged, and the conflict was terrific. The fact that the strong works in front of Petersburg were carried, proves how utterly crushing must have been the blow.

The absence of details leaves something to be conjectured. We know that GRANT's plan contemplated not only the defeat of LEE in a grand battle, but the capture of so much of his army as survived the onset, with Richmond and DAVIS and the rebel crew there as trophies. Of LEE's defeat we have the assurance; it may take time to realize the rest, but we have faith to believe it will be realised, all in good time.

A Live Paper.

If any one is disposed to question the claims of the COMMERCIAL to be considered a live paper, we ask him to look at our dispatches this morning from the scene of the great conflict. The expense attending this enterprise, though great, we consider entirely legitimate; certainly is, according to our idea of a live newspaper, and nothing more than our plan of conducting the COMMERCIAL contemplates at all times. It is not necessary for us to refer to matters of this sort, nor do we suppose it necessary now because our efforts to be appreciated.

German Opera.

ar Opera season closed on last Saturday evning with the performance of "*La Dame Buche*," by BOIELDIEU. The incidents of the pl are sufficiently well known we presume, beg founded on WALTER SCOTT'S *White Lcy*. This production is considered the *chef d'œu* of its author, and it was first produced in e year 1825. It has well stood the test of tin, and must be ranked among the classical Opas. Its performance by the German Opera company must be signalized as one of their bestforts. The cast was an admirable one—not weak point in it; while the chorus and geral detail of the work were given with thefaithful and conscientious earnestness whi so distinguishes the German Opera. Horeche a flow of nappy ideas this Opera re- ves; how prodigally the most charming melo pearls are scattered around, and how fresh and fragrant is the poetbreath which pervades the whole. From the erture, which admirably foreshadows the ture of the coming events and the sunny opeig chorus, we pass at once to the aria by GEOR BROWN, "*Oh, what delight a soldier to be,*"which was interpreted by Mr. HABELMANN with the reckless gaiety and saucy independee which characterizes the profession o arms.t was sung in a masterly style and elicited th applause. The duets of the latter and JEN (MLLE CANTESA) and the follow.ng trio w her husband, DICKSON, (STEINECKE) who, armed by GEORGE BROWN's dashing manne invites the latter to stand god-father to theiild, is most attractive for its sprightliness a certain moral heartiness of expres. Then e ine vocalization in the following ch- Mr. HABLMANN merits especial mention,—the more so vocal facility is by no means one of the stropoints of the modern Tenors of the Verdi sc). The second act opens with the song at tspinning wheel of Mad. ZIMMERMAN, joli in the second scene by ANNA (Mad. JOHANNS) and the steward of the castle, Mr. HERRMAS, who proceed to execute a trio, which is of the most delicious and delicate individual writ extant, and which was rendered in a man so tasteful and expressive that its repetitions enforced by the most rapturous and unanmous applause. The orchestral accompaniats to this piece are very skilful and higl interesting to the *connoisseur*. The ne scene introduces GEORGE BROWN she castle anxiously awaiting the appearance the "*White Lady,*" and calling upon her in air of surpassing beauty. Impatient at the non-appearance, he breaks forth in a movent written in five-four time—a musical curity, and probably the only instance on rd—the interrupted rythm of which grally depicts his high wrought anxiety and expectation. The appearance of the *White La* the sympathetic charm of her voice, the sment of budding love unconsciously spri up in their hearts, enhanced by the nys's circumstance of their meeting give rise a duo, the most tender and dreamlike—thelicious blending of their voices beautifi typifying the utter union of heart and spir The concluding scene, quartette and finarepresents the auction sale of Avenel Ca, a most animated tableau. The intriguingward (HERRMANNS) sure of his prey, defies competitors, and treats their opposition and that of the penniless Second Lieuten with scorn, whereupon the latter, prompted ANNA, bids up to five hundred thousand drs, administering thereby a stunning blo, the aspirations of the steward, who in relieved himself by the words "*hallet ein Sp*) delivered in such stirring tones of his heroic voice that the most skeptical could not yield instant belief as to the enraged and perate state of his mind. The gradual work up to this climax is most felicitously expr by the composer, and the concluding act movement superbly executed, presented a ne of great dramatic and musical effect. Third and last act opened with a fine song ARY, "*Heib bei mir,*" ("I stay with Me") rendered by request, by Mad. JOHANNSEN, some of Ary's very best songs, and we needily say was most beautifully rendered. Tirst scene develops a chorus of much be, and embodies an air somewhat familiar t ear of GEORGE BROWN. It awakens in his mnint recollections of a distant past, which sndeavors to fix by attempting to sing the ding strain of the melody, succeeding, ever, but partially in the attempt. The "*Lady* appears meanwhile and reveals hik and station, as the legitimate heir to Imgnificent estate of Avenel.

Left alone, he nitly regards the surrounding objects, sing by one the misty shadows of the distant assume tangible form; the old, familiar ow fully bursts upon his senses, and the bi sunny days of his childhood stand out in relief.

Mr. HABELMANN wist admirable in this scene, and sung "ROAddir" with an accent of pathetic sweet highly creditable. Indeed the masterly ligement of his *subdued* voice, *messa voce*, i its dreamy, echo-like character tended greatly to brighten and complete the illusion of the scene.

Before dismissing the subject we desire to thank the artists of the German Opera and their talented director, Mr. ANSCHUTZ, for the intellectual and artistic treat they have afforded us by their representations, and we cordially invite their future visits. We assert most emphatically that we do possess **musical taste and appreciation as amply attested by overflowing and delighted audiences. Be it remembered, moreover, that** the homage to glorious art thus enthusiastically tendered is the result of but a single hearing, and in the face of every drawback in the way of an utter absence of all scenic and stage effects, so necessary to fill up the pleture of operatic representation. We have insisted that the Pittsburgh public possessed as much musical discrimination as any public cast or west.

What we need is a more frequent opportunity to cultivate our taste, and nothing can more conduce to the success of that desired end than the possession of a well appointed, suitable, and attractive Hall—an Academy of Music. The project has already got a fair start; let us all lend a helping hand, and before another year rolls around we shall have a delightful and refining place of amusement.

FROM WASHINGTON.

New National Banks Established.

Receipts from Internal Revenue.

Special Dispatch to Pittsburgh Commercial

WASHINGTON, April 2.

By direction of the President the Fourteenth and Twentieth Army Corps, will constitute the Army of Georgia, of which Major General Slocum is assigned to the command.

During the week ending to-day thirty-eight National banks were established with an aggregate capital of $9,112,000. The number of these institutions now in operation is nine hundred and seventy-three, with a capital of about one hundred and twenty-five millions. The following are the Western banks authorized this week: First National Bank, Waukegan, Illinois, capital $50,000; National State Bank, Desmoines, Iowa, capital $100,000; Freehold National Bank, capital $150,000; First National Bank, Jeffersonville, Indiana, capital $100,000.

The receipts of internal revenue for March were $16,889,911. The cause of this decrease is attributable to the fact that the collection of the especial income tax was concluded early in the month, and that several articles which were subject to heavy taxes were manufactured in large quantities in advance of the increased taxation, the present holders being able to supply the market at rates less than the cost of the articles with the tax added.

The amount of national bank currency issued during the week is $3,284,800, making the total now in circulation $111,634,670.

Wild stories are flying through the streets tonight, to the effect that the War Department and General Grant expect to have possession of Richmond to-morrow morning, but although such a result is quite possible, there is now no serious reason to fear it. In any well informed quarter. The War Department has had all its flags out, this afternoon, in honor of our continued successes.

Large supplies of hospital stores of all sorts go down to City Point to-morrow morning. This morning, Surgeon Hagner is also sending down a force of extra surgeons. A number of wounded from the earlier engagements of last week arrived here to-day. The capital has received the rush of good news to-day joyfully, but without noisy or enthusiastic demonstrations. It had been too generally expected in advance for any special enthusiasm.

BAD LUCK TO CONNECTICUT DEMOCRACY.

Significant Augury at Washington.

Mr. Lincoln En-Route for Richmond.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Commercial.

WASHINGTON, April 2, 1865.

General sympathy is expressed for the unfortunate democrats of Connecticut, in view of the sad inroad Grant has made upon their prospects at their State election to-morrow, by the **operations before Richmond.**

Popular excitement in this city, this afternoon, has been intense. Before two o'clock to-day, four large eagles were observed circling above the dome of the capitol and over the head of the Goddess of Liberty, their appearance was almost simultaneous with that of the bulletins from Richmond.

Mrs. Lincoln returned from the Army this morning leaving the President there, however, to enter Richmond, as Gen. Grant has promised that he shall within the next forty-eight hours.

From Mobile.

Our Troops Moving on the City.

THE REBEL FORCE ABOUT 16,000

NEW YORK, April 1.

The *Herald's* Mobile Point correspondent of the 30th says: Operations commenced moving in transports from Dauphin Island on Friday, to the main land on Mobile Point. The Thirteenth Army Corps were the first to move. The Tenth followed. Generals Canby and Granger with their staffs, were nearly the last to leave Dauphin Island. The weather is very fine at present for military operations. Lieutenant Colonel Wilson, of General Canby's staff, left Dauphin Island on Friday morning, for Barancas, Fla., with orders for the Navy Steel's column to move immediately. The navy is all ready, and will open fire on Mobile as soon as the order is given. Three deserters arrived to-day from Mobile. They left Mobile on the evening of the 15th ult. They state that there are 1500 troops left in and around Mobile, including the militia. Of the veterans there are not more than 8,000 in and around the city. General Maury commands this force, and to the address which he recently delivered to them, he declared he would never pull the flag down. The troops are mostly in the fortifications.

LATEST FROM MOBILE.

NEW YORK, April 2.

The *Herald's* correspondent in front of Mobile, March 23d, says: Smith's sixteenth corps, accompanied by General Canby and staff, have arrived at Danby's Mills, on Fish river, on the east side of Mobile Bay, and ten miles distant from it, and twenty-six miles from Mobile. The entire Thirteenth corps, under General Granger, is expected to join the sixteenth at Danby's Mills, during the evening of the 23d. The corps moved by land from Navy Cove, at the lower end of the Bay, a distance of forty-six miles, and in all this march a number of not more than fifty rebel soldiers altogether were encountered. In fact, no opposition worthy of the name was made to the advance of either corps, and no rebel works were encountered, plainly showing the movement was a complete surprise. His reason for not expecting an advance in this direction was probably the almost impassible nature of the country. The road is said to be corduroyed.

Gen. Canby's movement of troops on the west side of Mobile Bay is probably a feint. Heavy firing in the direction of Mobile had been heard for twenty-four hours previous to the 23d, and was supposed to proceed from an engagement between the monitors and shore batteries.

Burning of the Steamer Gen. Lyon.

FIVE HUNDRED SOLDIERS ABOARD.

LARGE NUMBER OF LIVES LOST.

NEW YORK, April 2.

The steamer General Sedgwick, from Wilmington on the 29th, has arrived. She reports that on the 31st, 6:30 p. m., off Hatteras, she saw a steamer on shore on fire, which was the General Lyons, from Wilmington for Fortress Monroe, with from four to five hundred troops and refugees on board. The wind blowing a gale she could not launch the boats, but went as near to her as possible, and picked as many as she could from the boats, spars, woodwork, &c. Seven were taken to the hospital at Wilmington.

The list given of the saved by the Sedgwick, comprises only twenty-eight, including most of the officers of the Lyon, and a few refugees, soldiers of the 78th and 89th and 65th Missis sippi; 52d and 55th Illinois, 5th Ohio, &c. The schooner was seen picking up men, but do not know how many she saved. When the Sedgwick left the Lyon had burned to a shell, and was fast drifting on to the breakers.

From California.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 25.

Sandwich Island dates to February 25th report that the government is negotiating for the importation of Chinese laborers. Greenbacks have receded to sixty-one. Bullion receipts at the mint continue heavy. Ten thousand ounces of gold were received there to-day. A fire took place at Oakland this morning and destroyed a block of buildings worth $10,000, very little of which is covered by insurance.

FIRST EDITION.

12, MIDNIGHT.

On to Richmond

Grant's Great Movement.

Three Days Battle before Richmond.

Our Arms Successful at all Points

THE REBEL WORKS CARRIED.

Desperate Fighting.

A Temporary Check--A Rally and a Sweep.

Gen. Grant Claims a Grand Victory.

Dispatches from the President.

MR. LINCOLN GOING TO RICHMOND

HE CALLS IT A GRAND SMASH.

WAR DEPARTMENT, }
April 1—11 P. M. }

To General Dix, New York:

The following dispatches from the President have been received to-day. The desperate struggle betw en our forces and the enemy continues undecided, although the advantages appear to be on our side:

CITY POINT, April 1.

To Hon. E. M. Stanton, Secretary of War:

A dispatch is just received showing that Gen. Sheridan, aided by Gen. Warren, had at 2 p. m. pushed the enemy back so as to retake the Five Forks, and bring his own Headquarters up to Fort Boisun.

The Five Forks was barricaded by the enemy, and was carried by Gen. Diven's Division of cavalry. This part of the enemy seem now to be trying to work along the White Oak road to join the main force in front of Grant, while Sheridan and Warren are pressing them as closely as possible.

[Signed] A. LINCOLN.

WASHINGTON, April 2, 6 A. M.

To Major General Dix, New York:

A dispatch just received from General Grant's Adjutant General at City Point, announces the triumphant success of our armies, after three days of hard fighting, during which the forces on both sides exhibited unsurpassed valor.

CITY POINT, April 2, 5 A. M.

To Hon. E. M. Stanton:

A dispatch from General Grant says that Sheridan's cavalry and infantry have carried all before them, capturing three brigades of infantry, a wagon train, and several batteries of artillery. The prisoners captured will amount to several thousand.

(Signed) T. S. BOWERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

OFFICIAL.
WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, }
April 2,—11 A. M. }

Major General Dix:

The following telegram from the President dated at 8:30, a. m., gives the latest intelligence from the front, where a furious battle was raging with continued success to the Union arms.

E. M. STANTON.

CITY POINT, VA., April 2—8:30 A. M.

Hon. Edwin M. Stanton, Secretary of War:

Last night General Grant telegraphed that Sheridan, with his cavalry and the Fifth Corps, have captured three brigades of infantry, a train of wagons, and several batteries, the prisoners amounting to several thousand. This morning, having driven the enemy, attack along the whole line, telegraphs as follows:

Both Voight and Parke got through the enemy's line. The battle now rages furiously. Sheridan with his cavalry, the 5th corps and Miles' division of the second corps, which was sent to him this morning, is now sweeping down from the rear. All now looks highly favorable, Gen. Ord is engaged, but I have not had any report from his front.

[Signed] A. LINCOLN.

NEW YORK April 2.

President's Lincoln's last dispatch at 11 a. m. shows general smash up of the rebel line of works in front of Petersburg, by Wright, Park and Ord, who have joined in the fight. Sheridan's cavalry, the 5th Corps and part of the 24, are coming in from the West on the enemy's flank.

WASHINGTON, April 2—12 P. M.

Major General Dix:

The President, in the subjoined telegram, gives the latest news from the front:

CITY POINT, April 2—11 A. M.

To E. M. Stanton:

Dispatches are frequently coming in. All is going on finely. Generals Parke, Wright and Ord's lines are extending from the Appomatox to Hatcher's Run.

They have all broken through the enemy's entrenched lines taking some forts, guns and prisoners. Sheridan, with his own cavalry, the 5th corps and part of the 2d is coming in from the West on the enemy's flank and Wright is already tearing up the Southside Railroad.

Previous Movements.

Special Dispatch to Pittsburgh Commercial.

WASHINGTON, April 1.

A letter from your Correspondent with the Army of the Potomac, dated Thursday night, states that another advance of the left wing was made on Thursday in the direction of the South Side Railroad. The rebels in front of General Birney's Division for a while attempted to oppose our progress, but were finally driven at the point of the bayenet to their intrenchments beyond the Boydton Plank Road. The loss on either side was small, probably not more than fifty or sixty on our part.

The movement has developed a portion of the enemy's lines, and discovered the fact that he still maintains, with a bold front, his old works, covering the Southside railroad with a new line in the rear, stronger than the one in front of the 24 corps. The enemy used considerable artillery, but without doing us any damage.

We have possession of the Boydtown plankroad for several miles North of Dinwiddie Court House, and about nine miles from the Southside railroad

From where our left stretches across the Boyd, town plank road, our line extends eastward to Hatcher's Run through thick pine forests which renders movements exceedingly slow and difficult. The extreme left of our lines now rests a little south of the junction of the Boydtown and Quaker roads. A reconnoissance was made this afternoon by Merrett's cavalry, as far as Hatcher's Run Grove, in the direction of the Southside Railroad.

The enemy in strong force were found to be cautiously guarding every approach to the road, and our cavalry returned again to camp. A heavy rain storm set in this afternoon, continuing all day. The roads are again in a most terrible condition, and further movements of our infantry will be delayed for several days. Neither rain or mud, however, will interfere with the movements of Sheridan's cavalry, who are dashing through the country southwest of Burksville, as heavy firing has been heard in that direction, it is presumed that he is marching on without opposition.

The enemy has not cavalry enough to check the advance of one of his divisions, and knowing this, Sheridan will probably go where he pleases and do as he pleases. The army is busily engaged in building corduroy roads.

The following are the casualties among the Western troops in the fight yesterday: Brevet Brig. Gen. Chamberlain, commanding Brigade in the Second Corps, slightly; Lieut. Patterson, 7th Michigan, killed; Lieut. Sergt. D. M. Darman, 16th Michigan, both thighs; S Enos, 4th Michigan, head, mortally.

Dispatches from the President.

WASHINGTON, April 1.

To Major General Dix:

The following telegram, in relation to the military operations now going on at the front, was received this morning. Nothing later has reached this Department. E. M. STANTON.

CITY POINT, 8:30 P. M.—*Hon. E. M. Stanton:* At 12:30 p. m. to-day Gen. Grant telegraphed me as follows: There has been much hard fighting this morning. The enemy drove our left from near Dabney House back well toward the Boydon plankroad. We are now about to take the offensive at that point, and I hope will more than recover the lost ground. Later he telegraphed again as follows: Our troops, after being driven back to Boydtown plankroad, rallied and drove the enemy in turn, and took White Oak Road, which we now have. This gives us the ground occupied by the enemy this morning. I will send you the rebel flag captured by our troops in driving the enemy back. There have been four flags captured today. Judging by the two behind from which I sent the first of the two dispatches.

A. LINCOLN.

NEW YORK, April 1.—A *Tribune's* Washington special says:—It is confidently believed by this time Sheridan has reached the South Side Railroad, and cut Richmond off from its last source of supplies; but as he and Grant are beyond the reach of telegraph, there are yet no reports from either.

Graphic Accounts of Friday's Battle.

Special Dispatch to Pittsburgh Commercial.

WASHINGTON, April 2.

The following account of Friday's fight has just been received from one of the New York *Tribune's* correspondents in the Army of the Potomac:

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, }
Friday Night, March 31st. }

There was severe fighting to-day. Notwithstanding the disadvantageous circumstances of mud, the left of our line was pushed forward at daybreak this morning, bringing on a heavy engagement in front of the 5th corps and Gen. Miles' Division of the Second, the final result of which was the pushing back of the enemy across the White Oak road, and its occupation by our troops. An error occurred in my dispatch of last night. I placed the line of this corps across the Boydton and Quaker roads, and below their junction. I should have located it as cutting the Boydton plankroad, perhaps a quarter of a mile above the junction. With the extended line we now hold west of Hatcher's Run it is impossible to personally inspect every portion of it, even when the fathomless mud opposes no obstacle to locomotion. This error, although an unimportant one, it is desirable to correct before entering upon the details of to-day's operations.

At daybreak this morning, Griffin's division of Warren's corps, the left of which rested on the Boydton plank road, a short distance above Quaker road, moved by the flank down the Boydton road to the Butler house, where it was massed between the commands of Gens. Crawford and Ayres, for an advance upon the enemy's covering on White Oak road. The object of the advance was the possession of this road, which diverging from the Boydton plankroad several miles north of its junction with the Quaker road, runs westward to the Claibourne road, leading northwest to the Southside railroad. Our advance rested.

At about 8 o'clock this morning the division of Gen. Ayres, supported by those of Crawford and Griffin, began their advance upon the enemy, which was immediately resisted by the rebel skirmishers, who were slowly pushed back, however, to within a mile of the White Oak road.

At this juncture the enemy gathered all his available force, and, with his usual pluck charged our advancing column, which, wavering for a time, finally gave way before the impetuous assault, and fell back upon the Boydtown plank road, and halting only when they arrived at the brow of a hill, where, supported by Griffin's division which had just reached that point, they took shelter in the temporary breastworks constructed by them during night. Several unsuccessful attempts were then made by the enemy to dislodge them. Our fierce musketry fire added by batteries B and H of the 1st regiment New York Artillery, soon ending death and destruction into their ranks. The firing on either side soon subsided into heavy skirmishing, and the usual exchange of solid shot and shell, which lasted until one o'clock this afternoon, our troops meantime retaking possession of their original line. At this hour the division of General Miles, which had been thrown to the left of the Boydton Plank Road to close the gap made by the withdrawal of Griffin in the morning, was ordered to strike the enemy in front of Warren on his left flank, while the Fifth Corps, supported, was to obtain possession of the White Oak road by advancing simultaneously. The second advance of Warren was led by Gen. Chamberlain, commander of Griffin's division, and that of Miles' the right moved in *echelon*. In the following order from right to left: Col. Scott, 1st Brig. 1st Div. 2d Corps; Gen. Miles' New York, commanding; Irish brigade, Col. Nugent, 28th New York; third brigade, Gen. Madill; 4th brigade, Gen. Smyth.

As I stated above, as before mentioned, Warren's Corps again moved forward upon the enemy, who stubbornly held his ground for some time, and a heavy rapid volley from the right and the loud cheer that followed, told of the successful issue of Miles' attack on the rebel flank, and the rolled up the enemy's line, now broken, united and falling back, inconfluently followed by Warren, who was soon in possession of the coveted White Oak Road, which we now retain.

I have rode over the battle-field this evening and it seems as if every foot of it was the scene of sanguinary conflict. Huge pines were lapped off here and there, and in every direction the trees were shattered and scarred by the storm of shell and bullets. The ground was that over which Miles swept down *in echelon*, upon the enemy's flank, and the rebel dead attested the accuracy of our fire.

While all this was going on, heavy skirmishing was taking place on our line as far as Hatcher's Run, which was the field of lively skirmishing. Turner's division, during the afternoon, advanced several hundred yards, strongly intrenching as they went, and by nightfall silencing the guns of several batteries in its front. The brigades of General De Tobriand and Gamble, of Gibbon's corps, and Ayres' division of the 24 Corps, were likewise heavily engaged in skirmishing during the day, and succeeded in advancing their lines.

Our casualties will probably reach 1800 or 2000, of which the 5th Corps is believed to have borne the loss of nearly one-half. Among the dead is Major Charles J. Mills, A. A. G. to General Humphreys, commanding the Second Corps, who was struck by a sharpshooter's bullet and instantly killed, on the junction of Boydtown and Quaker roads.

Maj. Glenn, of the 198th Pennsylvania, has been wounded and taken prisoner. He fell during the engagement of the 5th Corps to-day, one stand of rebel colors, belonging to Herrall's brigade, of Pickett's division. Gen. Miles also displayed at his headquarters this afternoon a rebel color taken by his division.

General Grant was on the line frequently, and during the day moved his headquarters to Dabney's Mills, near our line of battle.

Richmond News of Yesterday.

Through the courtesy of a general officer I was enabled to peruse a Richmond *Dispatch* of yesterday. In it we were shown a report of the advance of Thomas' army at Bristol, under Laughley. It acknowledges that the recent battle in North Carolina was fought with but one wing of Sherman's army, and states that after the battle our column retired to Goldsboro', and Johnston's forces fell back. It says nothing in reference to Grant's last movement.

Reports apparently well authenticated say that Sheridan has this afternoon met with a supposed repulse, and been forced to back to Dinwiddie Court House, leaving many of his wounded in possession of the enemy.

This report has not been authenticated. The President's dispatches above are clear, and they say nothing of it.—ED. COMMERCIAL.]

Heavy and continuous firing has been heard in that direction this afternoon, and it is not improbable that the cavalry has been engaged by the enemy.

I regret to report the wounding of the veteran cavalry correspondent, E. A. Paul, of the N. Y. *Times*, in the Cavalry engagement to-day near Dinwiddie Court House. We will venture to say, from our knowledge of Mr. Paul's martial proclivities, was received on this front like *old troopers*, in whose achievements he takes such commendable pride.

Account from Another Point on the Line.

[Special Dispatch to Pittsburgh Commercial.

WASHINGTON, April 2.

Another *Tribune* correspondent sends the following:

IN THE FIELD WITH THE 24TH ARMY CORPS, }
March 31st. }

From nine a. m. to-day until dark, the two divisions of the 24th Corps, with this army, were engaged with the enemy in front of that part of our lines lately held by our Second Corps. The enemy in our front was found to be their Third Corps, under Hill, and the Division engaged that of Heath. The ground held up to last evening by the pickets of this force was won by the 24 division of the 24th corps, which at once threw up a strong line of log breastworks. At an early hour to-day 2 strong skirmish line was sent out, which passed up to within a few hundred yards of the rebel batteries, and kept up such a deadly fire that the gunners were unable to work their guns. For a time they replied to the fire but the men were shot off as fast as they showed the least part of their bodies, pleasure and fire to as to delay the enemy quitting by under cover of their defenses, only returning a sharp fire of musketry.

The fighting along our line, from the centre to the left, was severe. The left of the 24th corps connected with the 24 corps, which had the 5th on its left, and along the front of these three bodies has, for some hours, been incessant fire, the artillery on the left being loud, but in front of our centre, where the 24th corps lay under cover, it was nearly silenced. By this incessant and deadly fire the first and second divisions of the 24th corps gained some ground and steps were taken to hold it. The line of sharpshooters kept the rebel guns silent, while a strong line was pushed forward and, under cover of this fire, threw up a new line of breastworks. Behind this our line, while the skirmish line gained step by step, but very slowly more ground.

The Second Division of the Twenty-fifth Corps, under General Barney, was held in reserve to this line of the Twenty-fourth all the day, and was not called upon to fire a shot, but the colored troops were steady and showed no lack of spirit. Two brigades of the division were held in line behind the rear breastwork, while the other two—there being four in the division—stood further to the rear in reserve.

This was a mixture of pine and clearings, like most of the scenery in section in Virginia. A long line of woods hid the rebel batteries from view, and in these woods was drawn up our line, under cover of log breastworks, with the skirmish line thrown out in front, close to the rebel works.

In the rear of the woods the ground was open and along it, about three-quarters of a mile from the woods ran the old line of defenses lately held by the 2 Corps. At six p. m., it was thought by Gen. Gibbon, of the 24th corps, that by a sudden charge the first division might be able to carry the batteries on its front as the skirmish line had pushed up so near to them that the line would have only a few hundred yards to cross to reach the works, and the loss would be small. Dusk was thought a good time to make this attempt.

After some consideration it was decided to defer the attack until a more proper moment.

It may be that the possibility of there being some rear defenses which would command those in front, if taken, led Gen. Gibbons, who is a careful man, to wait until he could better see what defenses were to be met. At daybreak to-morrow the attack may be made, and if the enemy has weakened their line to send troops to their right, the attack will likely succeed.

All of the troops engaged behaved gallantly. General Ayers' division made a clean sweep of everything before them. In a field near White Oak road, the rebels had a strong line of breastworks. Through an open field, facing these works, our men advanced, driving the enemy from them in confusion, with the loss of about two hundred prisoners. Our picket line to-night, Friday, is about one hundred yards from that of the enemy, who are in strong force behind their breastworks. The fight will be renewed to-morrow.

Account of Our Special Correspondent.

Special Dispatch to Pittsburgh Commercial.

WASHINGTON, April 2.

The *Commercial's* correspondent with the Fifth corps furnishes the following details of the fighting on Friday: The fighting to-day has been very severe, and our losses heavy, probably not less than six hundred in killed, wounded and prisoners. The engagement, which was rather of the nature of an irregular contest, ended in a splendid success to our arms.

It was General Grant's intention to avoid any active hostile demonstrations, unless compelled to do so by the enemy, until the army was supplied with rations, which during the late terrible condition of the roads was anything but an easy task. The early morning hours passed without any fighting. About nine o'clock, General Winthrop's brigade, of Gen. Ayre's Division, was sent to feel the way toward White Oak road, where the enemy were entrenched.

The whole of Ayres and a portion of Crawford's divisions were then thrown across Big Swamp, on the plank road. About five miles from Dinwiddie Court House, Gen. Griffin's division was massed on the east side of the swamp, the rebels having burned the bridge had been built by our troops. Winthrop met the enemy in heavy force, who succeeded in flanking him, and driving back his brigade in confusion upon Coulter's brigade, which was in support. The remainder of the second division coming to their relief also outflanked and driven back in disorder, with the loss of about one hundred prisoners.

The engagement soon became general along the whole of the 5th Corps line, and the roar of cannon and musketry was incessant and terrible. Roused by the firing, General Warren was quickly on the ground, and speedily rallied the broken lines and cursked the enemy, who was pouring in overwhelming numbers over the log breastworks, which breastworks threw up by the second division.

The scene was an exciting one. Moments were precious. The sixth corps alone captured more than three thousand prisoners. The second and twenty-fourth corps both captured a fort, guns and prisoners from the enemy, but I cannot tell the numbers. We are now closing around the works of the line immediately enveloping Petersburg. All looks remarkably well. I have not yet heard from Sheridan. His headquarters have been moved up to Banks house, near the Boydtown road, about three miles southwest of Petersburg.

A. LINCOLN.

CITY POINT, VA., April 2, 1865, 8:30 P. M.

Hon. E. M. Stanton:

At 8:30 P. M. to-day Gen. Grant telegraphs as follows: We are now up and have a continuous line of troops, and in a few hours will be entrenched from the Appomatox below Petersburg to the left of the Fifth corps. Our captures along the army started out will not amount to less than 12,000 men, and probably fifty pieces of artillery. I do not know the number of men and guns accurately, however. A portion of Foster's division of the twenty-fourth corps made a most gallant charge this afternoon, and captured a very important fort from the enemy with its entire garrison. All seems well with us and everything quiet just now.

A. LINCOLN.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Commercial.

WASHINGTON, April 2.

The plan of the recent movements, as understood here seems to have been about as follows: Sheridan was to lend the way with his very heavy cavalry force, making a pretty wide detour to the South and West, cutting the Southside and reaching over to the Danville Railroad. He was to be strongly supported by the moveable portions of the Armies of the Potomac, and of the James, which were to push over towards the left, and turn Lee's right flank, while the main body of Petersburg lines still be held, and if possible, to be advanced.

Judging from the latest dispatches the whole plan seems to have been successful, including the cutting of the Southside railroad. The turning of Lee's right and the carrying of a portion of the rebel works in front of Petersburg. But two lines of policy are believed here to be left to Lee, unless the fighting this afternoon has been more decisive against him than is now known, he can probably still retreat towards Danville. Failing this, he has no resort except to make the most desperate defense possible, while Johnston's forces are hurried upon the Weldon railroad to reinforce him. This is believed to be possible, and herein military men to-night conceive to be our only danger.

Our special correspondent writing from general headquarters sends the following summary of the situation and movements down to Saturday, under date of Dabney's Mill, April 1st: Prior to the last advance the following was the formation of our line. The Sixth corps rests its left on Hatcher's Run; the Second Corps joined it on the left, and extended down Hatcher's Run to the Vaughan road; in the rear of the Sixth lay the Fifth in reserve. When the present movement began the 5th moved southwest till it crossed Hatcher's Run, then northwesterly to the Quaker, Road and Boydton Plank Road, between Hatcher's Run and Gravelly Run. The Second Corps crossed Hatcher's Run simultaneously, and moved up the southside of the Creek towards the Boydton Road. The Twenty-fourth Corps was put into the place occupied by the Second, and assists in forming them into a line, and is also somewhat in the position of a reserve. Sheridan, in the meanwhile, moved his entire cavalry command around to Dinwiddie Court House, thus threatening the Southside Railroad and the enemy's right flank.

At dark, on the evening of the 30th, the left of the 24 Corps rested on the Boydton plank road near the Burgess farm, and about one mile south of the bridge on Hatcher's Run. The 5th Corps had pushed on nearly due west, and lay fronting southward, with the pickets of Ayres division within five hundred yards of the White Oak Road, at a point between two and three miles west of its intersection with the Boydton Road on the morning of the 31st the rebel troops compos ed of Wise's Rushed's and a part of Pickett's command, brought from the Chickahominy within the past forty-eight hours, and perhaps detachments from other organizations, fell furiously on the left of the 5th Corps, and succeeded in throwing it into great confusion. Ayrs' division is reported to have fought well, but to have been overpowered. Crawford's division was thrown into inextricable confusion, and was driven back pell mell for at least a mile and a half. They were finally reinforced beyond the Boydton road, in front of Mrs. Butler's house, led to the attack before noon and by four thirty in the afternoon, had not only regained the lost ground, but established two brigades on the White Oak road, in front of Ayres position. In the morning the fight was purely an infanty one, and the troops that had behaved so unaccountably bad in the forenoon, fought like veterans before night.

The latter road differs in guage from most of the Southern railroads, and is already taxed to its utmost in supplying Lee's army at Richmond. Its poverty in rolling stock is such that no forage has been transported over it for two or three months. For this reason the rebel cavalry has been and now is mainly at Stony Creek Station, the only point at which they can be supplied by rail. The Weldon Road has an abundance of rolling stock on it, which cannot now be taken elsewhere.

The country along the road is so well supplied with forage and subsistence as to enable the whole of Johnston's army at Stony Creek, but they would then be without wagons or animals. If delayed two days, the Weldon road will probably by destroyed be us at a point far to the southward of Stony Creek Station.

At sundown last evening our left flank reached to Wm. Dabney's, on the White Oak road, three and a quarter miles from Five Forks to the westward, and three miles from the intersection of the White Oak road with the Boydton road from Wm. Dabney's. We held the road about one mile eastward from that point. Our line ran across in an irregular semi-circular form to the second carps, near Burgess' farm. So much for the situation.

The rain of the past two days has been heavy and almost incessant. The roads are not only as impassable as mud can make them, but the face of the whole country is little better. Single wagons cut through the pine straw in the woods, and sink to the axles if only half loaded. Horses plunge into quicksands in the open fields, on apparently dry land, until the soil is considered as treacherous as its sons. Yesterday afternoon was clear. To-day promises fine weather.

There is no longer much doubt but that Lee has determined on concentrating here, and attempting to save the rebel capital by whipping Grant and Sherman in detail. Hokes' division is reported by prisoners to be at Five Forks today in Sheridan's front. Others state that Johnstons whole army is en route to Richmond, and that all non-combatants, including the families of the rebel leaders, are being sent away from the city. If this is so, much stubborn fighting is before us. Should this prove to be the rebel policy, Johnston's army will most likely be sent over the Petersburg and Weldon Railroad to Stony Creek Station, and make a detour around our lines and attack Sheridan in the rear. Should he between seven and eight o'clock struck this thoroughfare some six miles beyohnd Dinwiddie Court-house. Towards eleven o'clock we understand this force was in the vicinity of the Court-house. Our forces were skirmishing heavily with their advance. Last evening it was reported that the enemy had reached the Court-house and was threatening Burgess' mills. It is believed the destination of this force is the Southside railroad, which Grant wishes to destroy, and thereby cut Gen. Lee's communications, and diminish its supplies. While demonstrating on the plankroad, it was thought the main body of the cavalry struck out through the country in the direction of the railroad. This, however, is not positively known.

The truth of the matter, as we learned on yesterday evening, was that there was indeed a grand exhibition of fireworks, but no battle, and scarcely any one hurt. The troops holding Gordon's line, taking advantage of the darkness, were strengthening their chevaux de frieze and abattis in front of their works. The Yankees opposite

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SPECIAL NOTICES

Purviance's Photograph Rooms, corner of **Fifth and Market streets,** second and third stories, over Richardson's jewelry store, Pittsburgh, Pa. **Photographs of every style, plain or colored,** from the popular carte de visite to cabinet and life-size. Mr. Purviance would particularly call the attention of the aged and infirm to the easy accessibility of this establishment, being reached by a single short flight of stairs. Prices moderate, and satisfaction guaranteed.

The Daily Commercial.

MONDAY, APRIL 3, 1865.

☞ Correspondence on matters of public interest is solicited and will be thankfully received from our friends in all parts of the country, when accompanied by responsible names. More especially whatever relates to the discovery and production of oil, the development of oil lands and reliable oil intelligence in general, will be acceptable and is desired. Events of local interest mechanical and agricultural results, inventions and improvements of every description, clearly and briefly described, are solicited. To secure attention, communications should be brief, entirely reliable, and sent as promptly as possible.

Letters concerning the business departments of the newspaper or printing office should be addressed to the Business Manager. Communications designed for the paper should be addressed to The Editor.

Will There be an Extra Session of Congress?

This question has been started, as "one of the questions of the hour," and is said to be engaging the attention of "our best thinkers." The latter assurance is encouraging, since it is seldom that this class of men get hold of vital questions. It appears, however, they are somewhat divided, for we are assured "one class insist that Mr. LINCOLN cannot make peace with the rebs without first consulting Congress. Others contend that there are examples where peace was made by commanders on generals, and cite the treaty of Ghent in 1814-'15, and the treaty of Guadaloupe Hidalgo, made over the head of President POLK's Administration by N. P. TRIST and General SCOTT, by which the Mexican war was closed and the golden bands of California wound round the Union, making it richer and stronger. The Senate must ratify, however and the House must furnish the money. If LEE is whipped and forced to surrender, the substantial terms will be dictated by the conqueror; and it may be that the President will be on the ground to sanction what is then done. There will be no time to call Congress to take part in that council, but a subsequent and early meeting is inevitable."

It strikes us that "the best thinkers" would prove their title to the distinction by waiting till the animal was caught, before launching into a discussion as to the best way to cool him. Bayonets are said to think sometimes. It us hands or the brave men at the front, we think they have a fair right to rank among "our best thinkers." We presume, however, it is not to them that reference is made by the writer who uses the term. Under Providence it is they who achieve results and decide questions, for they not only think but act.

Moving Day.

Pittsburgh saw sights, on last Saturday. I was moving day and April fool's day blended together with appropriate illustrations. The sun rose in splendor, the vernal air was redolent with more than the usual measure of mundane odors. Streets, avenues and alleys gave early indications of coming events; animation and anxiety sat on the brows and in the eyes.

Nine o'clock! The scene grows more startling. Processions of vehicles pass in all directions, flanked by men and dames vigilant over the contents precariously and promiscuously piled thereon, chairs being always the most conspicuous objects, with their legs pointing to the sky. The pavement is crowded with furniture and the implements of domestic life. Pedestrians, mostly of the gentler sex, have in careful hands the more precious and fragile articles, such as looking glass, the big platter, the bandbox, the baby. Like the people of an ancient exodus none goes out empty handed. The world moves. The doctrine of GALILEO is confirmed. The PENATES of Pittsburgh are *in transitu*.

A weary and anxious look has settled down upon the brow of the population, as the sun descends toward its Western bed. A still more observable deposit of dust and soot has settled down upon the brow and the cheek. The street processions have become more thin and more forlorn. Last loads are passing—those conglomerates of all cast-off, worn out, obsolete, long ago superseded articles of household convenience, just too good, prospectively to be thrown away, and not worth enough to pay the expense of per centage to an auctioneer. Darkness closes the outside shows of moving day, and candles and gas light up the interior chaoses of furniture mixed and tumbled, without regard to prior rank or position, in a state of truly republican equality. But into the retirement of private life we forbear to intrude. As the movements of the day brought to mind the play of childhood, we benevolently hope that at the close of it every pussy has got a corner.

SPEAKING of his letter to Mr. LINCOLN, written in July last, wherein an extraordinary desire for peace, and willingness to pay an extraordinary price, was evinced, Mr. GREELEY, in the *Tribune*, says:

We cannot see why it should have been deemed necessary to send this letter to Europe for publication. We would gladly have printed it, or the entire correspondence whereof it formed a part, if at any time apprised that the President desired to give it publicity.

We think most people will wonder less at the publication of the letter than that Mr. GREELEY should have written it. It is evident from the above, however, that Mr. G. himself is not among the number.

PETROLEUM AND OTHER STOCKS.—It has been remarked with no little force, that during the panic the firmest stocks in all markets unquestionably were Petroleum stocks, and good reasons there are for that fact.

For four years past, Railroad Companies have not expended one cent on repairs, except from actual necessity. The time is now on us when Dividends *must* be passed, and earnings must be expended on engines, and renewing rails and running stock and remodelling the working material. Look out for a *bona fide* fall in Railroad Stocks, and a permanent rise in all dividend earning Petroleum Stocks. So says the Petroleum *Record*.

MR. DRAPER has had an interview with Secretary MCCULLOCH relative to the Savannah cotton. He says there are 38,500 bales, the greater portion of which belonged to the rebel government. That any of the private marks were effaced he denies. Statements of all the claimants were taken and carefully filed, though evident y some of them are fraudulent. Secretary MCCULLOCH will reimburse every claimant who can make his claim clear. The cotton will be sold in New York.

CAVING IN.—"Druid" has another letter in the New York *World*, in which he reiterates the opinions expressed in a former letter. These confessions, coming from a strong sympathizer with secession, are remarkable, and if honestly made, indicate his belief in the perilous situation of the Confederacy. We quote a few passages. "Druid" says:

The time apparently is now approaching, or has arrived, when I can hear no more of Southern plans of campaign, to be carried on with great armies, and on a large scale; when the strength of the South seems exhausted, considered in a military light; when the vastly preponderating resources of the North seem to be crushing the last breath of life out of the rebellion; and when the Southern States shall lie before the North, to all intents and purposes, conquered and subjugated. Such I say is the apparent situation, as it seems to exist. The chances of war are proverbial; and the strategy of General Lee as set forth in my letter of March 1 may yet succeed in defeating both Grant and Sloane. But unless all ordinary signs fail, in a few weeks more, the military power of the South will exist no longer.

DOCILITY OF JOHN BULL.—The London Correspondent of the Boston *Traveller*, refers to the late Parliamentary debate on American affairs, and says: On the whole, then, this is certain, that there is no longer the slightest fear of a war with Great Britain; the lion is humbled as he never was humbled before. Canada is, of all places, just now his weakest point; and he has not made up his mind to send his oldest daughter dowerless out into the world to depend upon her own resources; it is a point of honor and business with John, not to do so. He can't and he won't pay her bills; he doesn't want to see her ruffled; he stands still, therefore, and tries to avert that danger by saying smooth things to the dangerous power. Mr. Bright and Mr. Forster speak from principle; Lord Palmerston, Mr. Disraeli, Mr. Cardwell, from fear; from a dread of increasing the already frightful taxation, and of losing power and territory after all.

LOW PRICES.—Many of the retailers are advertising their goods at extremely low prices. This is the way to maintain their business and gather in their old stock. Every prudent dealer will sell as prices are declining, for he cannot afford the loss the less it generally is, the market growing weaker with each day's decay. Business in sales comes from a desire to hold up prices at the highest when the tendency is to lower figures.

The Academy of Music.

Amid the strife of contending parties, in a civil war of a magnitude unexampled in history, urged between hosts of vast numerical force, it is a striking demonstration of the inexhaustible resources of our country and a welcome assurance of the great durability of her political institutions, to observe the prosperous condition of the useful and ornamental arts and other positive signs of the steady progress of civilization within her borders.

In a country, as the stern necessities of physical comfort become more easily provided for, there appears to arise a natural yearning for those refining impulses that tend to higher culture, and without which wealth not only fails to give pleasure, but furnishes new sources of discontent and unhappiness. Of these, higher and ennobling influences of thought and sentiment, which frequently produce a profound impression on the character of a people, none is more powerful and effective than music. The moral and social advantages to be derived from the culture of music, which, like many of the liberal arts, do not admit of pecuniary estimation of value, are acknowledged to be of the most lasting and beneficial kind.

It is not to be expected that these benefits can be derived without some familiarity with "the concord of sweet sounds," and to really enjoy the higher kinds of music some instruction is required. This does not involve a minute study of the difficulties of composition, nor a thorough examination of its scientific questions, but simply frequent opportunity to listen with care to the productions of the great masters faithfully rendered. In proportion to the acuteness of perception in an individual, will the faculty of appreciation be developed, and the enjoyment and profit derived therefrom may be expected to increase in proportionate ratio. This does not contradict the fact, in any manner, that the greater the knowledge of any particular scientific art, so much the more pleasure is obtained from its assiduous pursuit, but merely shows that music, which is in reality a combination of natural sounds, many of them known to all, can furnish gratification, and at the same time stimulate the finer moral sensibilities even among the most unlearned. This points out a medium of great power for moral refinement, which society should not be willing to ignore or disregard.

It is pleasant to observe, in our city, the constant and rapid increase of taste for classical music, within the past few years, which we have no doubt, has been greatly retarded by the great obstacles to an increased acquaintance therewith. It is a lasting disgrace to the city, that there is no convenient and suitable audience hall, adapted to the requirements of music. An examination of the halls now in use will convince that the laws of acoustics have been totally ignored and the needful outlay to proper ventilation reckoned a useless expenditure of means.

We cannot too strongly commend the movement which has just been set on foot for the construction of an Academy of Music, which would at once, supply an urgent necessity and redound to the credit of the whole city. It is undoubtedly the most popular project which has been offered for a long time, and all will certainly contribute liberally of their abundance to the building.

Without dictating at all to the gentlemen who have taken this matter in hand, we would respectfully suggest that for no purpose of present economy to allow themselves to be diverted from the erection of such a structure as would insure the personal safety of all persons who may enter it. To accomplish this requires a building on a level with the ground, with capacious halls of entrance and exit, and open corridors leading thereto, the enormous quantity of inflammable material stored in the city increases the risk of fire, and renders imperative the consideration of the probable danger resulting from a hasty evacuation of a crowded assembly hall on account of actual or threatened danger. It is fearful to contemplate what loss of life might occur from panic in a room of great elevation, reached by curved stairways.

We hope all good citizens will freely contribute to this creditable enterprise, in order to show that while in our midst there is a devotion attention to trade and manufacture, art shall be not despised.

Shall Pittsburgh Have the Oil Trade?

To the Editor of the Pittsburgh Commercial:

NEW CASTLE, PA., April 1, 1865.

DEAR SIR: You have the thanks of the friends of the New Castle and Franklin Railroad Company for the article in your paper of this date under the head of "Shall Pittsburg have the Oil Trade?" I desire to say to the citizens of Pittsburgh and the oil regions that if they will subscribe two hundred and fifty thousand dollars to the capital stock of the New Castle and Franklin Railroad Company, the Board of Managers will put the whole line under contract for construction within two months thereafter; and open the road for business within fifteen months from the time such subscription shall have been made.

The arguments in favor of the construction of this road have been so well made in the article referred to, that I shall not attempt to add anything thereto. It may be well to say, however, that the road will be located through a section of the country abounding in coal of the best quality, and native ores in great quantity. In fact the entire route is one continuous coal field. Several hundred acres of iron ermas have been leased on very favorable terms, for the benefit of persons subscribing to the stock of this company. These leases are in the hands of responsible parties, who hold them in trust for the purpose indicated, and must ultimately be a source of great profit, besides creating a large, and well paying business for the road. About ten miles of the right of way have been secured at an entire cost not exceeding one hundred dollars, and the balance can be had at a mere nominal sum.

Should the company decide to connect with he Jamestown and Franklin Railroad, at or near Irvine, about thirty miles of road will be required to be built, or in the event that that they should continue it to Franklin only eighteen miles additional would be required. Thus, should Pittsburgh wish to make a branch of but ninety-eight miles from Pittsburgh to Franklin. From Franklin to Philadelphia, re Corry, Philadelphia and Erie Railroad, the distance is 454 miles, making a difference in favor of the Pittsburgh route of eleven miles. Should the New Castle and Franklin road be completed, trains could leave Franklin at 9 o'clock a. m., arrive at Pittsburgh at 12 a. m.; returning, leave Pittsburgh at 3 o'clock p. m., and arrive at Franklin at 9 o'clock p. m. thus enabling persons living in the "oil regions" to visit Pittsburgh, have six hours in which to transact business, and lose but one day from their business at home.

S. M. Kier, Esq. of Pittsburgh, is one of the Directors of the Company, and is authorized to receive subscriptions. Mr. Kier will also impart any information desired in relation to the prospects of the Company. Yours truly,

J. W. BLANCHARD, Vice President.

The citizens of Lawrence county will hold a public meeting this afternoon, in New Castle, to devise ways and means to secure the building of the New Castle and Franklin road. That county is, perhaps, as much directly, but less remotely, interested in the completion of this important railway, than Pittsburgh, and it is confidently anticipated that the citizens of that prosperous and wealthy county will to day give the project that material aid and sympathy that will insure the company in immediately undertaking the work.

Connellsville Railroad.

To the Editor of the Pittsburgh Commercial:

Your correspondent, "Pittsburgher," seems to have hit the nail on the head in his communication published in the COMMERCIAL of Wednesday. We have enough business energy in Pittsburgh, and abundance of capital, but the need men make use of their energies and their capital each in driving their own particular machine. When it is necessary to discuss some great public enterprise, everyone is willing to do a full share of the wind work, but very few to contribute a fair share of the necessary funds. We are each willing to let somebody else furnish the money, and can very readily see that this man is rich, and that man ought to do something, but cannot apply our judgment of others to ourselves.

At what time we began to rely on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company to finish the Connellsville road, is among the memories of the "oldest inhabitants," but the youngest of us can see that at any time within the last ten years, the property holders and business men of this city could have done the work without feeling the outlay, and would have been amply repaid. The same may be said of the Allegheny Valley road; had the business men and property holders subscribed the money and finished the road to Franklin four years ago, it would have paid them handsomely and secured a monopoly of the enormous business of the oil regions. Had the Connellsville road been finished to Cumberland the Government transportation alone would have repaid its cost, and we would have another outlet to the seaboard. But it is useless to talk of what might have been, except so far as it indicates to us what ought to be.

From the letter of "Pittsburgher," and from a communication in the *Gazette* of Messrs. Cass and Harbaugh, it appears that nothing stands in the way of completing the Connellsville road but the strife of two corporations, each of which is supposed to desire the control for the purpose of benefitting itself to the injury of the other. *As long as they continue their battle each is accomplishing its object, and the only sufferer is Pittsburgh and our citizens who originally put their money into the stock of the Company for the benefit of Pittsburgh.* Are we forever to be deprived of an additional avenue to the eastward by this quarrel? Our representatives in the Legislature seemed to apprehend the whole difficulty and wisely procured the enactment of a law which can be made to remedy it. Let our citizens hasten the organization of the "National Railroad and Transportation Company." Subscribe freely to the stock, and go to work on the road, from Connellsville eastward. The managers of the Connellsville company should refuse to put their road into the new company at a just valuation, or if it refuses it is to be hoped that existing arrangements with the new company, then the latter can at any time extend its road, via Mt. Pleasant, to the Pennsylvania Railroad, at Greensburg, and thus obtain an equally good and quite as short a route to Cumberland as by the present line, via Connellsville. Let us "cut out the work" ourselves instead of "letting SNAKE You are in favor of that infernal monopoly. No, sir, we are not. We are in favor of Pittsburgh and Pittsburgh interests, and of getting another outlet eastward.

ANOTHER PITTSBURGHER.

General Intelligence.

The new State government of Tennessee will be organized at Nashville to-day, and Parson Brownlow be inaugurated Governor.

The first meeting since the rebellion, of a convention of delegates of the German Turner Association in the United States, will convene in Washington city to-day for the transaction of the regular business of the Association known as the North American Turner Association.

C. K. Johnson, the rebel spy, who was to have been hung in Louisville, on Friday, has been reprieved by the President for thirty days. Also to have been W. H. Ashcraft and Alfred Nichols, who were to have been shot at Lexington.

By a law of the last Congress, a copy of every book, musical composition, engraving, photograph, etc., which may have been copyrighted must be sent free of expense to the Library of Congress at Washington.

There are about seven hundred female clerks employed in the Treasury Department, and selected from almost all the States in the Union Many of them have been rich, but are now poor. Many of them are young ladies, many of them widows, and some few are married. Their chief business is in cutting and counting new legal tender and national bank notes, and in counting and destroying old ones. Their pay is $720 per annum each, for about six hours close work per diem.

A grey charger is shortly to be presented to General Grant by his New York admirers.

Gov. Miller, of Minnesota, recently tendered Gen. Pope two companies of Chippawa Indians for service on the plains or against the rebels. The offer was declined.

A negro in Richmond, who recently married a white woman, has been ordered to receive fifty lashes well laid on. The woman's punishment is not stated.

The candidates on the Democratic State ticket in Rhode Island have declined, and none others will be put in nomination. The Democrats will probably coalesce with a number of Republicans who prefer the election with the recommendation of Gov. Smith, and thus try to carry the State.

The printers of Philadelphia last week gave a grand dramatic performance at Sanford's Opera House. They played two pieces. All the male performers were fourteen years old, and the female performers were all men, except the only professional in the company. So excellent was the performance that it is to be repeated at an early day.

Rebel deserters, says the New York *Tribune*, say that General Early has taken a self-imposed pledge to not *drink* any more until he shall have whipped Sheridan. This is considered by Sheridan's officers as equivalent to the rebel General's having taken the temperance pledge for life, to the no small damage of the Confederate distillers, and a corresponding fall in the price of corn.

A California correspondent of the *Missouri Republican* tells of seeing on exhibition in the sanitary Fair, in San Francisco, forty-eight Bartlett pears on a single stem, forty-eight inches long. The stem was of average Bartlett size, and stood out at right angles to the stem, completely enveloping it.

The London *Owl* makes this interesting announcement: "We understand that in consequence of the probable occurrence during the summer of the marriage of the Prince of Wales, greatly to the joy, her Royal Highness Princess Alice of Hesse, or the Princess Helena, will hold drawing-rooms for her Majesty during the season and the Princess Louise, Marchioness of Lorne, Highness, the Princess of Wales, who will only hold the next drawing-room."

The Putnam Machine Company have completed at their manufactory in Fitchburg, a couple of 11-inch cannon, of the Blakely pattern, which weigh upwards of 43,000 pounds apiece. The breech is clad with a thick steel jacket, and this jacket is encircled with steel rings, making a thickness of about 12 inches of solid steel around the castings. They are for the defense of Boston harbor, and cost about 12,500 each.

Personal.

Hon. H. G. Stebbins, of New York, who goes to Europe on the 6th of April, will, it is understood, be entrusted with some very important Government business.

Wm. H. Bull, transportation clerk in the New York Quartermaster's office, has been arrested by Detective Baker, charged with forging Secretary Stanton's signature to spurious passes.

Judge Dawson, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, is out in a card denying that he has encouraged volunteering, furnished a substitute, or in any way assisted in the prosecution of the war. His children, if he has any, will curse his memory for this outburst of disloyalty.

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Our Washington Correspondent.

The Age of Improvement and Washington Old Fogies—President Lincoln and Secretary Seward at the Front—Restriction on Travel Removed—Increase of Railway Fares.

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WASHINGTON CITY, April 1, 1865.

We certainly live in an age of improvement visible to every body but the old fogy population of Washington City, who "can't see it." It is not likely they ever will see it. When Lincoln undertook to put down the rebellion by force of arms they could not see it—because the Northern horde was not brave enough to cope with the Southern chivalry. When greenbacks were first issued they objected because "they ain't gold," and according to the constitution "not a legal tender." When a few Yankees erected houses with modern improvements, they could not see it, because there was no underground hole left to pass their darkies in and out at, and keep them under. When it became necessary to occupy the churches for hospitals they objected—because they were built for other purposes than to keep the cursed Yankee soldiers in, who were murdering their Southern brethren. When street railways were talked of, they "could not see it"—other than as a street nuisance, and a poor man had no right to a cheap ride. By-and-by when horse feed rose—to save their pockets—(well lined with despised greenbacks)—they did try them and stowed away their old Virginia vehicles—seventy-five years behind the times. Some few weeks ago the everlasting darkey obtained privilege of riding in the cars—and now they "can't see it" again—and many of them would sooner walk than ride in the cars with a "nigger." So they are bringing out their old vehicles again. Now they object to the paving of the streets because there would be too much noise, and they would be too hard for their old Virginia horses to walk on. The Yankees are too much for them. The streets are to be paved. Think of a city of over one hundred and twenty thousand inhabitants being deprived of an additional avenue to the eastward by this quarrel? Our representatives in the Legislature seemed to apprehend the whole difficulty and wisely procured the enactment of a law which can be made to remedy it. Let our citizens hasten the organization of the "National Railroad and Transportation Company." Subscribe freely to the stock, and go to work on the road, from Connellsville eastward. The managers of the Connellsville company should refuse to put their road into the new company at a just valuation, or if it refuses it is to be hoped that existing arrangements with the new company, then the latter can at any time extend its road, via Mt. Pleasant, to the Pennsylvania Railroad, at Greensburg, and thus obtain an equally good and quite as short a route to Cumberland as by the present line, via Connellsville. Let us "cut out the work" ourselves instead of "letting SNAKE You are in favor of that infernal monopoly. No, sir, we are not. We are in favor of Pittsburgh and Pittsburgh interests, and of getting another outlet eastward.

ANOTHER PITTSBURGHER.

General Intelligence.

The new State government of Tennessee will be organized at Nashville to-day, and Parson Brownlow be inaugurated Governor.

The first meeting since the rebellion, of a convention of delegates of the German Turner Association in the United States, will convene in Washington city to-day for the transaction of the regular business of the Association known as the North American Turner Association.

C. K. Johnson, the rebel spy, who was to have been hung in Louisville, on Friday, has been reprieved by the President for thirty days. Also to have been W. H. Ashcraft and Alfred Nichols, who were to have been shot at Lexington.

By a law of the last Congress, a copy of every book, musical composition, engraving, photograph, etc., which may have been copyrighted must be sent free of expense to the Library of Congress at Washington.

There are about seven hundred female clerks employed in the Treasury Department, and selected from almost all the States in the Union Many of them have been rich, but are now poor. Many of them are young ladies, many of them widows, and some few are married. Their chief business is in cutting and counting new legal tender and national bank notes, and in counting and destroying old ones. Their pay is $720 per annum each, for about six hours close work per diem.

A grey charger is shortly to be presented to General Grant by his New York admirers.

Gov. Miller, of Minnesota, recently tendered Gen. Pope two companies of Chippawa Indians for service on the plains or against the rebels. The offer was declined.

A negro in Richmond, who recently married a white woman, has been ordered to receive fifty lashes well laid on. The woman's punishment is not stated.

The candidates on the Democratic State ticket in Rhode Island have declined, and none others will be put in nomination. The Democrats will probably coalesce with a number of Republicans who prefer the election with the recommendation of Gov. Smith, and thus try to carry the State.

The printers of Philadelphia last week gave a grand dramatic performance at Sanford's Opera House. They played two pieces. All the male performers were fourteen years old, and the female performers were all men, except the only professional in the company. So excellent was the performance that it is to be repeated at an early day.

Rebel deserters, says the New York *Tribune*, say that General Early has taken a self-imposed pledge to not *drink* any more until he shall have whipped Sheridan. This is considered by Sheridan's officers as equivalent to the rebel General's having taken the temperance pledge for life, to the no small damage of the Confederate distillers, and a corresponding fall in the price of corn.

A California correspondent of the *Missouri Republican* tells of seeing on exhibition in the sanitary Fair, in San Francisco, forty-eight Bartlett pears on a single stem, forty-eight inches long. The stem was of average Bartlett size, and stood out at right angles to the stem, completely enveloping it.

The London *Owl* makes this interesting announcement: "We understand that in consequence of the probable occurrence during the summer of the marriage of the Prince of Wales, greatly to the joy, her Royal Highness Princess Alice of Hesse, or the Princess Helena, will hold drawing-rooms for her Majesty during the season and the Princess Louise, Marchioness of Lorne, Highness, the Princess of Wales, who will only hold the next drawing-room."

The Putnam Machine Company have completed at their manufactory in Fitchburg, a couple of 11-inch cannon, of the Blakely pattern, which weigh upwards of 43,000 pounds apiece. The breech is clad with a thick steel jacket, and this jacket is encircled with steel rings, making a thickness of about 12 inches of solid steel around the castings. They are for the defense of Boston harbor, and cost about 12,500 each.

Personal.

Hon. H. G. Stebbins, of New York, who goes to Europe on the 6th of April, will, it is understood, be entrusted with some very important Government business.

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OUR ARMY CORRESPONDENCE.

Letter from the 139th Regiment—Grant's New Campaign Inaugurated—Sheridan's New Expedition—Members of the 139th Taken Prisoners—Our Soldiers in Buoyant Spirits.

Special Correspondence of Pittsburgh Commercial.

CAMP 139TH PA. VOL.,
NEAR PATRICK STATION,
March 28th, 1865.

Grant's new campaign has at length commenced, and by the time you receive this, you will no doubt have news of a glorious character. I am not sufficiently posted to be able to give you any account of the plan or movement. Little Phil. Sheridan commands it, and his name is a sufficient guaranty of its complete success.

Since the affair of Saturday the 25th, the whole army has been agog, for every thing indicated that the suspicious moment for striking a telling blow had come. On Monday the news reached us here, that Sheridan and his magnificent cavalry were at City Point, preparing for another of their famous rides, and that they were to be accompanied by a heavy force of infantry—supposed to be in part the Sixth Corps. The same day the extraordinary order of nonrecognition was made, that Sherman was also at City Point in conference with Grant. I need not say that the spirits of the officers and soldiers are at present. That the end is drawing near at hand is confidently believed by all.

Sheridan's expedition started before day this morning, and he has taken the Army of the James. I am informed the 5th Corps also; but of that I am not distinctly advised. His force is quite large, however, and will accomplish the work in hand, whatever it may be. He has gone to the left, but whether to strike the South Side Railroad, or to act in conjunction with the Army of the James more directly, I am not prepared to speculate upon theories.

Two corps, or portions of them, of the Army of the James came down here yesterday, and this morning occupied the line heretofore held by the troops who have gone with Sheridan. The situation is most interesting and entirely satisfactory.

On Monday morning before daylight, after the repulse at Fort Steadman, the rebels made a sudden dash on the works thrown up by our brigade on Saturday night, taking the position with a small force. That part of the line which I was much more advanced than the rest, and being skirted by a ravine was almost impossible to be held. I am happy to say that none of this regiment were among those taken prisoners. Lieut. William Forrest, Co. E, Acting Lt. A. S. Maguire, Co. A, Sergt. Thos. Gregory, Co. D; Privates—Adam Wrey, Co. A., James Dobbins, Co. B, and Jonathan Artman, C. Lieutenant Forrest had just returned from leave of absence.

Everything is quiet on this part of the line, but as I write the sound of distant cannonading to our left, indicates that Sheridan is not idle.

THE FINANCIAL DRIFT.—The New York *Commercial* says the present decline in the value of miscellaneous stocks "is attributable not only to the operation of 'bear' speculators, but also, in an important degree to the action of capitalists, in selling out their railroad and miscellaneous securities for Government bonds. The value of ordinary securities changes with every material fluctuation in gold; and public opinion inclines to the expectation that the premium may soon fall yet lower, involving a still further decline in stocks. To the large class of holders who are regularly borrowing money upon their securities, this irregularity in values is inconvenient, to say the least; and a preference is consequently given to national bonds, the price of which is comparatively little affected by the fluctuation in gold. Another advantage presented by Government securities to this class of capitalists is that they are enabled to borrow upon them at one per cent. less interest than is charged on other securities. While the rate on call loans has been, for some time, seven per cent. on ordinary collaterals, it has been generally six per cent. on United States bonds. These considerations have led to the exchange, within the past month, of a large amount of railroad stocks for Governments; and the amount of the latter class of securities offering as collaterals is consequently increasing very rapidly. The same argument applies to mercantile holders of securities. Mercantile firms, who have invested their surplus means in Erie, New York Central, Reading and other leading railroad stocks above par, have found the price of their stock to decline from 10 to 15 per cent.; and although, owing to the decline in merchandise, the purchasing power of some of these securities is as great as when they were bought, yet holders now see that had they invested their funds in Governments, they would now have had a much greater purchasing power at command than they actually possess.

GOV. CURTIN'S policy of uniforming and arming militia companies which may be organized in the border counties for local defense, and to secure the practical operation of which a law was passed during the last hours of the Legislature on the urgent recommendation of His Excellency, meets with great favor in the counties most interested, and is not without approval in all parts of the State. From the very beginning of the war with the slaveholders, it has been the policy of Governor Curtin to maintain a reserve force, and had that policy received the legislative sanction and support of the people which it deserved, perhaps portions of our own State would never have been devastated, while a greater effectiveness would have been given to the national effort in the field during the early period of the conflict. Even now, a more thorough militia organization should be had not only in the border, but in all the counties of the State. It is apparent that we must maintain a military force in the field for some time to come; and while their is an army in the field, there should always be a reserve in readiness either to recruit its ranks or support its immediate movements.—*Harrisburg Telegraph.*

THE Dubuque *Times* states that lead mining is receiving a new impetus in that section. There is a smelting establishment and shot tower establishment there, and several new companies are now at work with more capital and more system and science than have heretofore characterized the business, turning out lead in all shapes for commerce and for use. This lead region, it is estimated, is capable of furnishing our country with the $2,000,000 value of lead which is now annually imported from Spain and England and paid for with American gold.

OIL INTELLIGENCE.

THE INDIANA COUNTY REGION.

PROSPECTS ON THE CLARION RIVER

ACTIVITY AT SMITH'S FERRY.

The late strike by the Sirwell Company, on the Conemaugh river, has infused new energy into the oil operators in Indiana county. A New York firm are about to commence operations on Tearing run, a tributary of Two-Lick creek, and they are very hopeful of making a good strike. On Black-Lick, Two-Lick and Crooked creeks, at several points thereon, unmistakable "surface indications" have been found, and parties are about to develop the territory in the vicinity.

The Clarion Region.

The late freshet, it seems, carried away the derrick, tools, rope, and everything but the hole in the ground connected with the Deer creek well, but the damage is being repaired, and in a few weeks will be in operation again.

The Sligo well, situated on Licking creek, was tubed a few days since, and pumping commenced. A quantity of oil was obtained, but owing to the presence of a strong volume of gas the machinery would not work properly. An air or gas pipe is now being put down, to obviate the difficulty experienced, and it is expected that a good pumping well will be established.

On Wednesday of last week, it is reported, another vein of oil was struck in the Black Diamond well, on the Clarion river, at a depth of upwards of five hundred feet, and several buckets of oil were taken out with the sand pump. Although not through the third sand rock, Col. Reamer, the superintendent, deems the vein sufficiently strong to warrant the tubing of the well, which will accordingly be done.

The Smith's Ferry Region.

Our correspondent sends us the following details of what has been and is being done at Smith's Ferry and on the Little Beaver rivers:

"As many know, oil has been showing on the surface as far back as the memory of man extends. In 1861, Patton & Fenlin opened a well to the depth of two hundred and forty feet, and pumped about 1,400 barrels of oil in about ten months, of a gravity of forty bonla. Next, Thompson's well, at a depth of seventy-three feet, pumped four hundred and two barrels heavy lubricating oil, gravity twenty-eight. Next, Lippincott, Stewart, brown, Kunkle, Calhoun and Farmer, inside of one year, reached oil at a depth of one hundred to two hundred and fifty feet, and respectively pumped from one hundred to three hundred barrels of oil. Other wells were bored to the oil sand and twenty thousand barrels, at one price, which every one knows, about that time was about two to three cents per gallon, operations ceased—all a loss.

At the expiration of six months oil improved, some returned to the wells abandoned, without oil, and renewed the boring. At the average depth of six hundred feet the second rock is reached, which is a white sand rock, and oil is reached in this rock. No one fails to obtain oil in the second rock, and all the first wells are small. It is a singular fact that a well will flow here that will not produce more than one barrel per day, and a well on the Little Beaver that produces a little less than two barrels per day, and flows regularly—has been down to the first sand rock, nearly four hundred feet, without any abatement. There is in this locality some sixteen wells producing oil, varying in quantity from one to twelve barrels per day. Many of these wells produce from four to six barrels, such as the Silver Wave, Williams, Revenue, Blackmore and Angel, the latter being the largest flowing well on the Little Beaver, at Island Run. These wells all flow. Some have been trying the experiment of pumping, and find a flowing well will be in operation again.

The Little Beaver has proved so far the most successful, eight property has been sought for and all taken up, as we learn, for a dozen miles up the stream, ranging from two to ten hundred dollars per acre.

The accessibility of this region makes it desirable—two hours by rail from Pittsburgh—and the quality of the oil, which is undoubtedly the purest oil obtained from the earth. All burn it in the crude state and find no difficulty. It has been in use for four years. It is also being used for manufacturing linseed oils and painting. How wide our oil fields will extend will no doubt be pretty well determined this season. Our oil that is produced from the second rock is a light amber, and of fifty-two gravity.

J. B.

A Monstrous Revelation.

A rebel committee in Richmond have put forth a report on the treatment of prisoners of war, in which the following monstrous revelation is made:

A mine was prepared under the Libby Prison; a certain number of Yankees were put into it, and pains was taken to inform the prisoners that any attempt at escape made by them would be effectually defeated. The plan succeeded perfectly. The prisoners were quiet and kept quiet. Dahlgren and his party were defeated and scattered. The danger passed away, and in a few weeks the gunpowder was removed. Such are the facts. Your committee do not hesitate to make them known, feeling assured that in the absence of the direct evidence of the world, and the great law of self-preservation, will justify all that was done by our country and her officers.

A more atrocious avowal is nowhere recorded, and the effrontery with which it is made without a parallel.

THE Washington *Chronicle* attaches but slight importance to the discharge of the St. Alban's raiders, but regards it as significant and satisfactory they were immediately re-arrested. "Some technical error in the commitment, or some defect of law in the proceedings, must be at the bottom of this whole thing," says the

The Daily Commercial

CITY MATTERS.

☞ For additional local see first page.

Court Proceedings.

QUARTER SESSIONS.—Judges Mellon and Brown—In the case of William Taylor, convicted of the larceny of a watch, the sentence of the court is that he restore the property and undergo an imprisonment of two years in the Western Penitentiary.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs. John Schwaris, assault and battery with intent to commit a rape on Sarah Boggs, the jury returned a verdict of guilty. Sentenced to the Western Penitentiary for two years.

Commonwealth vs. John Fletcher; selling liquor without license. Plead guilty and fined $10 and costs.

Court adjourned at 12 o'clock, to meet this morning at 9 a. m.

DISTRICT COURT—Judge Williams.—In the case of Brereton, Johnston and Wilkins, vs. Shreve and Tilson—breach of contract—the jury assessed the damages for plaintiff at $25,308, subject to the opinion of the Court on questions of law reserved. J. P. Cochran, of New York city, Attorney of this place, and Walter H. Lowry, Esq., appear for plaintiffs, and Geo. T. Hamilton, and Wm. M. Shinn, for defendants.

[Ordered, that a trial list be made out by the Prothonotary, to be taken up on the third Monday of April.]

FIRST OF APRIL SCENE.—An exciting and, to the spectators amusing, scene occurred on Saturday at the corner of Smithfield and Sixth streets. It seems that Michael O'Hana, Esq., owner of a brick tenement occupied by a man named Burkhart, as a liquor and cigar store, was desirous of getting rid of his tenant. On the other hand, Mr. Burkhart, claimed to have re-rented the premises, and declared he would not move out. Upon that took the parties split, and Mr. O'Hana, being determined in his purpose to oust his tenant, called upon Alderman Strain, and after executing a bond of indemnification in the sum of $1,000, took with him officers Barry and Pender, proceeded to Burkhart's establishment, and commenced the work of dispossessing him. Casks, barrels, bottles, demijohns, boxes of cigars, tobacco, counters, shelving, &c., &c., were soon piled promiscuously upon the pavements in front and at the side of the building. Burkhart, who is of the Jewish persuasion, claimed that Saturday being according to his religious faith, the Sabbath day, the officers had no legal right to molest him or his goods. But the officers, not being posted in church dogmas, would not desist, but seemed to work with a will. Burkhart and his friends became excited, high words ensued, and blows followed. Hague's independent police were sent for, and just as the scene was becoming interesting to the large crowd of idlers who had gathered around, Alderman Strain appeared on the ground, and commanded the peace, which, after a time, was restored. The affair, besides furnishing considerable amusement to those who witnessed it, will be the cause of any number of lawsuits, several informations having been made already for assault and battery, forcible entry, &c. As both gentlemen have some spare cash at their command, the old adage that it is an ill wind that blows no one good, will be verified. Suits in Court are expensive luxuries, which have not fallen with the price of gold.

MILITARY AFFAIRS.—We extract the following from the consolidated monthly report of Capt. G. P. Davis, commanding the Monongahela District, for the month of March:

Deserters received	43
Stragglers	87
Convalescents	107
Furloughed	626
Recruits	971
Total	1,834

Of these, 309 were sent Camp Reynolds, 248 to Baltimore, 310 to Harrisburg, 416 to Philadelphia, and the balance to various points East and West.

The following number of substitutes were received from districts and forwarded to Camp Reynolds: From the 20th District, 15; 21st, 27; 23d, 52; 23d, 2d, 11; 24th, 18. Total, 123. Two drafted men were received from the 21st District.

During the month, five deserters effected their escape from the guard and eight stragglers escaped while *en route* to their regiments.

In addition to the foregoing, 5,470 rations were issued to recruits, deserters, stragglers, and convalescents *en route* East and West.

COWARDLY ASSAULT.—A man named Thomas Black yesterday committed a most cowardly assault on a newsboy known as "Little Eddy," who was engaged in selling the *Leader*. It seems that the little fellow offered to sell him a paper, for which Black struck him a blow on the mouth, which completely severed the lower lip. As soon as the boy recovered from the stunning effects of the murderous blow, he proceeded to the Mayor's office and made complaint. Officer Bay started in pursuit and soon found Black in a house in which he had taken refuge from an army of incensed newsboys, who vowed they would pelt him to death with stones for so shamefully abusing one of the fraternity. Black was locked up, and will have a hearing this morning. He is a well known character, and it is alleged that he has deserted from the army more than once. After the Mayor he (Black) will be taken; then before Captain McHenry, Deputy Provost Marshal, a gentleman who, by the way, has a peculiar way of discovering deserters from Uncle Sam's service.

CORONER'S INQUEST.—The jury empanelled on Friday night by Coroner Clawson to inquire into the circumstances attending the death of Emma Roberts, who was run over, on St. Clair street, by car No. 24, on the Pittsburgh, Allegheny and Manchester Passenger Railway, reassembled at Alderman Donaldson's office on Saturday afternoon. A number of witnesses were examined, who testified that the driver was at his position at the time, and that the horses were not going at a faster gait than customary. After hearing the evidence, the jury came to the conclusion that the death was the result of an accident, and rendered a verdict accordingly.

MAYOR'S ROLL CALL.—Thirty-five persons appeared before Mayor Lowry on Saturday morning, of all ages, sexes and colors, embracing in the list those who move in the higher as well as the lower circles. About one-half of the motley crowd were charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct, some with drunkenness alone, and others with vagrancy. The city lodging rooms will have to be enlarged ere long if customers continue at this rate. But it may be that a number of those who sought lodging in the watch house on Saturday night could not find their new homes, as the first of April was moving day. If such was the case, there is some excuse for them.

A SCAMP AT LARGE.—One J. H. Steiner, says the Wheeling *Register*, of Saturday, who purported to be the agent of some Yankee sewing machine, eloped from that city night before last, leaving many creditors behind him. By a system of impudence and rascality, Steiner had run himself head over heels in debt, and to prevent trouble he ran off, leaving his disappointed creditors to whistle for their pay. The public should be on the look out for the fellow, as he may attempt to play the same game in these parts.

DEATHS OF SOLDIERS.—The following Pennsylvania soldiers died at the hospitals in Washington during the past week:—Daniel Titus, 198th regiment; Thomas M. Tantlinger, 105th; C. W. Harold, 200th; James Harbaugh, 6th; G. G. Andrews, 83d; Corp. David P. McAlister, 21st cavalry; David Donagha, 11th; Wm. R. Goshart, 3d.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

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AMUSEMENTS.

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ORPHANS' COURT SALE.—In the matter of the estate of Cordelia R. Dawson, a minor child. In Orphans' Court, of Allegheny county, No. 111, December Term, 1864. In pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court, of Allegheny county, made February 11th, 1865, the undersigned will expose to public sale, on the premises, situate in the city and county of Allegheny, on SATURDAY, April 8th, 1865, at 10 o'clock, a. m., the equal, undivided one half part of all that certain lot situate in the city of Allegheny, county and State aforesaid, known as No. 52, a plan of the subdivision of out-lots, Nos. 179 and 180, in the reserve tract, called the Buena Vista extension of Allegheny—beginning on Fado Alley street, at the distance of 86 feet from the North Common; thence north 30 feet; Taylor seventy feet; thence south by said alley 20 feet; thence east 110 feet to the place of beginning.

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THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY vs Ernest Eggers et al. In the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, No. 202, March term, 1865. Damages—

Notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of March, A. D. 1865, a petition was presented to the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, setting forth that they, under the powers granted in their Charter had entered upon all that piece or parcel of ground situate in the Fifth Ward of the City of Pittsburgh, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning on the South side of Liberty street, at a stone set 66 feet from the Allegheny street; thence along Liberty street eastwardly 21 feet to the property of James Robb; thence southwardly along said lot 200 feet to Sycamore alley; thence westwardly along said street 21 feet to the lot formerly of S. H. Slaymaker, thence northwardly along said lot 200 feet to Liberty street, the place of beginning; that they desired to appropriate a road said lot for general railroad purposes; that they had been unable to agree with the owners thereof as to the compensation proper to be paid them for the same; that Caroline, Ferdinand, A. Sophia, Chrisostom and Elizabeth Eggers, heirs of Sylvester Wankel, Bavarian, Marianna, Eva, Franklin Louis and Sophia Wankel, Frederick and Ferdinand Sick, children of William Sick, had title to and in said lot. That the said Company prayed the Court in said petition to appoint five proper men to view and determine the damages the said parties (inter alias) were entitled to receive from said Company for entering upon and appropriating said lot, that said Court did on said day appoint George Albree, Samuel Hays, Wm. Wilson, James Dalzell and Edward Scythe, as viewers, and did order and direct them to meet on and view said lot on the 4th day of April, A. D. 1865, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., to discharge the duties of their appointment.

And it further appearing to the said Court that the persons hereinbefore named as having title to said lot, were residents of Allegheny county, and did not, by reason thereof be served with notice of the proceeding, and of the appointment of viewers, and of the time and place of their meeting as aforesaid, that notice of the same be given by publication as required by law.

Now, the said named parties, having title to said lot, are hereby notified to appear before said viewers, at the time and place of their meeting as aforesaid, and present their several claims for compensation.

JOHN H. HAMPTON,
Solicitor for Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

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THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY vs. George Freeman and others.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, No. 264, March term, 1865; damages $4,000. Notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of March, 1865, a petition was presented to the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny county, Pa., setting forth that the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, setting forth that they, under the powers granted in their charter, had entered upon all that certain lot of ground situated in the FIFTH Ward of the City of Pittsburg, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at the southeast corner of Kim and Liberty streets, thence along said Liberty street eastwardly 21 feet, thence southwardly and parallel with Kim str et one hundred feet to Quarry street, thence westwardly along Quarry street fifty feet to said Kim street, thence northwardly along said Kim street one hundred feet to Liberty street, the place of beginning; that they desire to appropriate and use said lot of ground for general railroad purposes; that they have been unable to agree with the owners thereof as to the compensation proper to be paid them for the same; that George Freeman, Mary Ann Freeman, Hannah Aswraw, Elizabeth Quigg, widow of Hugh Quigg, deceased, James F. Quigg, John F. Quigg, Catharine Williams, Mary Quigg, Hannah Quigg, Elizabeth Quigg, guardian of Mary E. Quigg and Rosena Quigg, William McKee, Henry Boyle in right of his wife, John Minkey, James Mickey, George Mickey, Pierce Mickey, Isaac Mickey, Jane Little, Mrs. J. F. Shoemaker, Jacob Shoemaker and Morris Shoemaker, Richard Morris, husband of Catharine Shoemaker, deceased, Lizzie Morris, Ella Morris and Morris and Mrs. Ann Underwood, late Mrs. Freeman, heirs of Hugh Quigg, deceased, had title to said lot. That said Company prayed the Court, in said petition, to appoint five viewers to ascertain and determine the damages the said parties (inter alias) were entitled to receive from said Company for entering upon and appropriating said lot. That said Court did on said day appoint George Albree, Samuel Rea, W. K. Nimick, James Dalzell and John A. Forsyth as viewers, and did order and direct them to meet on and view said lot on the 4th day of April, A. D. 1865, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M., to discharge the duties of their appointment.

And it further appearing to the said Court that the persons hereinbefore named as having title to said lot were not residents of the county of Allegheny, and could not be served with notice of the proceeding, and of the appointment of viewers, and of the time and place of their meeting aforesaid, that notice of the same be given by publication, as required by law.

Now, the said named parties, having title to said lot, are hereby notified to appear before said viewers, at the time and place of their meeting as aforesaid, and present their several claims for compensation.

JOHN H. HAMPTON,
Solicitor for Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary upon the estate of PERK ERICK McKEE, late of Birmingham, Allegheny county, deceased, have been granted to the subscribers by the Register of Wills of said county.

All persons indebted to said estate will make payment and those having claims will present them for settlement to

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CASIMER HANNAY,
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Special Dispatch to Pittsburgh Commercial.

WASHINGTON, April 2.

Richmond papers of Thursday, 30th ult., contain the following:

[From the *Dispatch*.]

Nothing of importance has occurred on these lines since the battle of last Saturday.

From Grant's official reports detailing the battle, which we publish elsewhere, it would appear that our loss in that battle was much more serious than we are prepared to believe, yet we confess ourselves to be without the means of contradicting the Yankee statements.

Grant claims to have captured 2,000 during the attacks on forts Steadman and Haskell. Gen. Lee in his report of that affair says our loss is reported small.

Telegrams and letters from Petersburg, just after the fight state we have lost several hundred prisoners, Grant also claims to have taken five hundred prisoners at Hatcher's Run, on the same day. As in the previous case we are without necessary information to disprove his figures, but when he comes to the subject of his own losses, we are more fortunate. He says his losses are eight hundred, but may prove less. We have now in our keeping over that number of prisoners taken from him on that day, and surely it will not be contended that no Yankees were killed or wounded in the fight. We have no doubt that Grant has as much exaggerated his captures as he has understated his losses. The during fairly of one portion of his report is sufficient to throw discredit on the whole.

A large body of Sheridan's cavalry moved down the plank road two or three days since. It is believed in Petersburg that a raid is being prepared against the Southside Railroad.

[From the Richmond Examiner of the 30th.]

The *Examiner* has the following editorial: It is evident that the month of April will witness a decisive turn given one way or another to Grant's grand converging campaign. A little month we have to sustain our army, and keep our banner flying, and the mighty effort of the Federal power will have been foiled, and will fail as usual. Our enemies can't say that they are in a great hurry for success at once, because they are too well aware that they are in the midst of the last campaign, they can by any means take against the Confederacy, therefore efforts will be superhuman the forthcoming month. Sherman advancing northward to the Danville Road, Stoneman and Thomas coming down the valleys of East Tennessee on Lynchburgh, with the design of extending a hand to Sheridan somewhere about Burkaville, while Grant still continues to hold Lee, as he says, by the throat, ready to receive the surrender of the city when it shall be starved into submission, and also to intercept the shift of Lee who according to the best Yankee authority, is thinking of nothing but showing a clean pair of heels. This is the programme. It must be filled in every part or it fails to the ground together. They obviously think the plan cannot fail, because, say they, this time. Richmond, they assure one another, is in a perfect state of anarchy and despair. The slaveholders' rebellion have given up the cause, and ten days, or at most, twenty are allowed for the final consummation.

In the meantime Thomas and Stoneman may have adventures before they join hands with Sheridan, and as to Sherman, he has taken to digging. It occurs to us fundamental maxim that he cannot and he is not to fight and we have seen that the moment he is attacked he begins entrenching. At that game his progress for days in face of so wary and indefatigable an opponent as Johnston, is likely to be slow. It will scarcely be sufficiently advanced within those ten days, which Grant allowed Richmond to surrender.

Such, however, is the combination which we have now to baffle, and do it within a month. If it breaks down anywhere, as there is very good hope, then the peril for this year will be over, and it will be time enough for Grant's turn to consider a new plan; also to invent a new great General to carry it into effect, for both Grant and Sherman must then be shelved, as their ideas of warfare will be pronounced not wide and grand enough for the Yankee nation. Their combinations were not extensive enough, and did not converge from sufficiently different points.

Next year the siege of Richmond must be commenced by opening the lines at Kentucky West, in Florida, and Corpus Christi, and digging through the continent, so as to meet and co-operate with another branch of the Arkansas River.

[From the Sentinel.]

The Southside yesterday and the day before was very quiet. Large bodies of cavalry have been moving on our right, and a large body of cavalry passed down the plank road two days since. Sheridan will be soon heard from on our right. Reliable news from City Point says the presence of fifteen monitors and forty iron clad vessels in the James river, besides an innumerable fleet of smaller and less formidable boats. Since the attempt of the Confederates to pass by the Yankee obstructions in that river the enemy has doubled his vigilance and has increased his naval force. Commodore Porter is in command of the James river fleet, and his flag ship occupies a prominent position among the vessels. Gen. Grant's headquarters are at Dr. Eves' house, at City Point.

Gold is selling at Augusta, Georgia, at $20; silver $40.

[By Associated Press.]

NEW YORK, April 1.

Richmond papers complain that the suspension of the habeas corpus act was secured in the Confederate Congress by a trick of Jeff Davis, who sprung the measure at a moment when there was but a bare quorum in the city, as he knew it would be defeated in a full house.

The Richmond *Dispatch* of the 29th says: Preparations for the defense of Mobile is very complete. Provisions for a six months siege have been accumulated. Gen. Taylor has done everything for a successful defense of the city.

The Raleigh *Progress* learns since Gen. Johnston's restoration to the command of the Army of Tennessee, that thousands of soldiers, absent without leave, have returned to their old chief.

Gen. Mowry, commanded Mobile, has issued an order to the people, to send away all noncombatants, and prepare for a vigorous defence. Gov. Watts announces that Alabama is threatened on three sides, and appeals to the people to rally for her defence.

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The Daily Commercial

CITY MATTERS.

CHANGE OF RESIDENCE.—Patrons of the COMMERCIAL who may change their residences today, or next week, will please leave word in the counting room in order to secure the delivery of their papers.

The academy of Music.

The project for the erection of an Academy of Music has been before the public for the past few weeks, and has been fully and thoroughly discussed. The unanimous conclusion of all who have given the subject careful consideration is that such a building, properly conducted, as it would be, is a present necessity. For years past, there has been great complaint among the attendants at the opera, lectures and other entertainments, at the want of comfort in the several public halls of the city, and to remedy this complaint the Academy of Music is proposed. The thousands of our citizens who attended the opera last week will bear witness that the beauty of the performances was largely detracted from by the incapacity of the hall in which they were given, and can readily imagine how much greater might have been their gratification had the operas been given in an adequate hall, with proper scenery and sufficient stage room. There are numerous reasons why our citizens should at once make this effort to establish an Academy in Pittsburgh, but they will readily suggest themselves to those possessed of public spirit, and it is unnecessary to enumerate them. The following announcement of the Committee of the Commissioners to open books of subscription is commended to our readers generally:

PITTSBURGH, April 3d, 1865.

Books of subscription to the stock of the Pittsburgh Academy of Music will be opened at the office of P. R. Mertz, 118 Wood street, on Monday, the 17th inst., at which time and place, one or more of the Commissioners named below will be in attendance. Two dollars and fifty cents per share (or 25 per cent.) payable at time of subscription.

H. M. Murray, C. H. Paulson, Chas. J. Clarke,
S. Pollansbee, W. P. Weyman, D. A. Stewart,
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T. A. McClelland, H. W. Carr, R. T. Leech, jr.

The undersigned Committee, on behalf of the above Commissioners, desire to appeal to every lover of music, as well as to all who feel a pride in our city possessing a handsome and appropriate edifice for the exhibition of that high art, to give this cause their prompt and earnest support. To business men we might add the further argument, that the success of this enterprise will add largely to make Pittsburgh a tarrying place for strangers and buyers, instead of a mere transfer station.

While our charter requires two weeks notice prior to opening the books of subscription, yet the Commissioners have the city themselves, and all subscriptions obtained may be confirmed legally at a meeting after the two weeks have elapsed. Indeed, we indulge the expectation that before this time elapses, the ultimate success of the project will be made a certainty. All persons who wish to call upon us in the immediate work will please confer at once with one of the undersigned.

GEO. H. HOLTZMAN,
CHAS. W. BATCHELOR,
HENRY M. MURRAY,
W. P. WEYMAN.

MAN KILLED ON THE P. & C. R. R.—We have again to record an accident on the Pittsburgh and Connellsville Railroad, this day making one, by which a man named George Richey lost his life instantly. It seems that a "wrecking train" had been dispatched from this city, and when in the vicinity of Hazlewood station a broken car was placed on the truck, which prevented the car in the rear from being coupled as usual, and in order to fasten the cars to each other a rope was used. The deceased was sitting on the "wreck," holding one end of the rope which was fastened around the "Bull's head." The knot not being securely fastened, and the deceased finding that he could not make it fast while the train was in motion, gave it a turn around the body of the car on which he was standing. The "wreck" not being heavy enough to sustain its position, broke off the forward car and to the track, throwing Richie out, and passing over his body. His head was found to be terribly crushed, and his back, leg and arm were broken. He was brought to the city, and died an hour or two after his arrival.

Coroner Clawson held an inquest and the jury rendered a verdict of accidental death. Deceased was a resident of Connellsville, where he was highly esteemed by all who knew him. He leaves a wife and family.

SOLDIERS' FUNERALS.—Yesterday afternoon the funeral of Lieut. Michael Mullen, of the 139th Pennsylvania Regiment, who was killed at Fort Steadman, on the 25th ult., took place from his mother's residence, on Locust street, Allegheny. The military escort was composed of a detachment of the provost guard, under command of Lieut. Graham. Large delegations from the various fire companies of the two cities also turned out, the deceased having been a member of the Columbia Hose Company of Allegheny. An excellent brass band headed the procession, and played solemn funeral marches as the cortege proceeded to St. Mary's Cemetery.

Michael R. Smith, formerly a member of the 14th Pennsylvania Cavalry, who died on Friday night at the residence of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Husselbagh, on Ohio street, Allegheny, was also buried yesterday afternoon. The deceased was taken prisoner some months since and incarcerated in a Southern prison, where, through starvation and exposure, he contracted the disease which resulted in his death. He was exchanged a few weeks ago, and since his arrival his every effort and skill been made to preserve his life, but without success, and his name is now added to the long list of Union martyrs, whose lives were sacrificed by a relentless and cruel foe.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—At a late hour on Friday night, a man named John Crowden fell over a steep embankment, near the Federal street station of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad, and received serious internal injuries. He was discovered by the night police, who carried him into the station, immediately a physician, and did all in their power to relieve him. On Saturday morning he was taken to his residence, on Beaver street, Allegheny, where he is now lying in a critical condition.

"EASTER SUNDAY.—Sunday, April 16th, is Easter, when the season of Lent will end. The time when Lent begins is determined by reckoning backwards forty days from Easter, excluding the Sundays, which are always feast days, and not a part of the great fast. They are like the oasis in the desert, and give relief to the repentant and mournful time. Easter always falls on the Sunday after the first full moon which occurs after the vernal equinox.

Public Amusements.

THEATRE.—The favorite young actress, Ettie Henderson, after a very successful starring tour, has returned home, and will commence a brief season at the theatre to night, presenting for the first time in this city the new and popular play entitled "Little Barefoot."

CARPENTER'S HISTORICAL PAINTING.—Carpenter's picture of President Lincoln and the Cabinet of 1862, as they appeared at the reading of the first draft of the Emancipation Proclamation, will be exhibited in this city this evening, at the room No. 64 Fifth street. This painting has been exhibited in New York, Boston, Washington and Philadelphia, where it was seen by immense numbers, and where it received high praise from the art critics. The portraits are said to be remarkable for their fidelity to life of originals, and the accessories are literal copies. It is to be exhibited in Chicago in May, for the benefit of the Sanitary Fair.

CONCERT HALL.—The Peak Family of Bell Ringers will hold forth this evening, in Concert Hall, and as their entertainments have always been popular in this city, they will, no doubt, have crowded houses during their stay.

Trimble's Varieties, PENN STREET.—The celebrated drama of the Female Pickpocket has proved a most decided success at the Varieties. Hundreds of people have been turned from the doors, being unable to gain admission, owing to the crowded state of the establishment. It remains on the bills for three nights more. Extra seats have been provided, so that all may have an opportunity to see this great Life Drama. The scenery is magnificent, the ballet is startling, and the whole drama worthy of its success.

TRAGEDY AT NIAGARA FALLS.—A gentleman from Niagara Falls, informs us that a tragedy occurred in that village on Monday. A woman about 25 years of age, went to the bridge connecting Goat Island with the American shore, and threw herself into the water. She was instantly borne swiftly through the rapid and over the American fall.

The woman was the wife of a man who is in the army, but was inhabiting with another residing at the Falls. She left a child—a little girl. The causes that induced her to commit this act of self-destruction are not positively known, though attributed to the unhappy state of her domestic affairs. She was seen going to the bridge by a person to whom she avowed her purpose, but she was not credited, and allowed to go on her way to destruction.—*Rochester Union.*

PETROLEUM IN UTAH.—The latter Day Saints have discovered Coal Oil on Sulphur Creek, and the *Deseret News* states that a party intends to sink a well this season. Coal oil is quoted at $12 a gallon in Salt Lake City, so that a hundred barrel well or two would prove paying speculations. The *News* also states that coal oil and bitumen were also found, in 1855, plentifully floating on the water, and scattered on the beach among the sandstone, on the east shore of Great Salt Lake, east of Gunnison Island.

Professor Agassiz and party sailed from New York on Friday, on the way to South America, to collect facts for the purpose of testing his glacial theory.

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Finance and Trade.

Philadelphia Stock Exchange Sales.

REPORTED BY CLARKSON & CO., BANKERS, PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, April 1.

The stock market is very dull and almost totally devoid of transactions. St. Nicholas, 3½; Sugar Creek sold at 9; McClintock, 3½.

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TRANSACTIONS APRIL 1, 1865, AT THE BOARD.

	Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 6s, '81	105 25	.....
U. S. 5-20's	105 00	.....
U. S. Certificates	97 00	.....
Allegheny Valley R. R. 7's	.....	101 00
Connellsville 6's	78 00	.....
Connellsville R. R., non-interest	10 00	12 75
do do int.	12 00	.....
Steubenville and Pittsburgh	.....	9 00
do Indiana	.....	18 00
Mech'ics' and Manufact'rs Bank	.....	75 00
Fourth National	173 00	.....
Drexel	6 00	.....
Columbia Oil Co	.....	67 00
Phœnix Mining & Mixed Farm	.....	3 00
P. Ellis	.....	4 00
Eldorado	.....	1 50
Oil Creek and Cherry Run	3 50	.....
Cherry Run Central	.....	2 00
Cherry Run & Pit Hole	.....	95
Cherry Run & Pittsburgh	.....	2 00
Oil Valley	.....	1 75
Dixon	.....	4 50
Ira	.....	1 25
Coal Bluffs Mining Company	.....	1 50
Central Basin	.....	1 05
Great American	.....	1 00
Cherry Run & Blood	.....	1 05
Banner	.....	1 25
Phœnix	.....	1 20

SALES AFTER BOARD.

30 Shares Fourth Nat'nl Bank old stock...173 00

As our army approximates the final issue, money and stock markets become more spasmodic. From the tenor of the latest dispatches we may expect every hour to hear of the finishing stroke given to the rebellion, when the various theories about the effect of peace on the present values will be reduced to actual fact. It is a general impression in well informed commercial circles that with the fall of gold to its proper value everything else that has sympathized with it in its rise, will follow the decline.

The sales at the People's Stock Exchange on Saturday evening were limited to small lots of the low priced oil stocks. No improvement in rates was realized, and as will be noticed from the list of sales below there was a great falling off in figures from those obtained a few weeks ago. The sales were as follows:

50 shares Blood Farm and Ohio 1 50
100 do Central Basin 1 05
100 do Cherry Run and Blood Farm 1 00
100 do do 1 02
100 do Cherry Run and Pittsburgh 90
100 do do 1 00
500 do Cherry Run and Pit Hole 80
100 do do 85
100 do do 89
50 do Fleming and Blood 2 00
100 do Oil Creek and Cherry Run 3 75
100 do Pittsburgh and New York 1 60
50 do Ross 1 10
500 do Tarr, Story and Cherry Run 80

AFTER BOARD.

100 shares Oil Creek and Cherry Run 3 50
100 do do do 3 55
100 do Pittsburgh and New York 1 05
100 do Dalzell 6 00

The regular calling of the list, closed at the following quotations:

	Bid.	Asked.
Caldwell and Philadelphia	4 50	5 00
Cherry Run Central	1 75	2 00
Drexel	55 00	65 00
Export	2 25	.....
Eldorado	.....	1 15
First American	3 50	4 00
Horse Neck	1 10	1 35
McAboy and Cherry Run	80	90
National, of Pittsburg	.....	1 00
Oil City and Pittsburgh	1 30	1 60
Phœnix	1 20	1 50
Phillips	2 00	4 00
Pittsburgh and Philadelphia	1 75	2 75
Revenue	50	60
Rouse Hill	.....	4 50
Rynd Farm	.....	4 50
Rock Petroleum of New York	2	2 50
Shaffer and Labrille	.....	1 75
Western Pennsylvania	2 75	3 25
Whitely Creek	2 00	2 50

—It is reported that the First Bank of Attica, N. Y., one of the new national institutions, has failed, with liabilities amounting to $250,000. We have seen no official announcement of the failure, but if it should prove true it will be a noteworthy fact as the first failure under the National Currency law. The bank was among the first that were organized, and had a capital of only fifty thousand dollars. The failure will cause no excitement among the billholders, as it is well known that the general government is responsible for the notes, and holds at least ten per cent. surplus over its issues of government bonds at par, with which to redeem the circulation.

PITTSBURGH OIL TRADE.

OFFICE OF THE DAILY COMMERCIAL,
Monday, April 3, 1865.

OIL RECEIPTS PER ALLEGHENY RIVER AND ALLEGHENY VALLEY R. R. FOR THE WEEK ENDING APRIL 1, AND FROM JANUARY 1ST:

	Al. River.	A. V. R. R.	Total
Monday, Mch. 27th	2766	.....	2766
Tuesday, Mch. 28th	2796	1632	4428
Wednesday, Mch. 29th	645	.....	645
Thursday, Mch. 30th	152	150	302
Friday, Mch. 31st	219	210	429
Saturday, April 1st	1578	.....	1578
	7,927	1,992	9,919
Since January 1st	24,853	27,265	52,118

The week just closed has presented a variety of changes. During the early part there was no demand, the difference between the views of operators were too wide to admit of sales. Holders of Crude were not in a very suitable humor to negociate. The heavy losses, the delays, and vexations they had passed through, did not improve their temper in the least—hence during the early part of the week, the sales were few and far between. During the latter end of the week buyers entered the market with spirit. The sales on Saturday, published below, were the largest we have reported for many a day. Business to Oil City was suspended on Saturday. There being twenty feet of water, boats were unable to pass under the bridges, hence there were no arrivals at the wharf. The Leclair and Petrolia that came from Oil City, had to lay to above the Mechanic street bridge. They have only a small amount of oil on board. The Ida Rees, and Echo No. 2, did not leave; they have splendid trips on board, and will take their departure this day. The stock of Crude oil in this market is not large. Saturday's sales have put several thousand barrels out of the way. Below will be found the sales, they exhibit a variety of prices:

CRUDE OIL.—Buyers were on hand Saturday and took hold liberally, viz: Sales of 275 bbls at 21c., packages returned; 100 bbls at 22c., same conditions; 1,000 bbls at 20c., packages returned; 2,000 bbls at 22½c., packages returned; 400 bbls, bulk, at 21c.; 800 bbls at 22c.; 100 bbls, bbls returned, at 20c.; 600 bbls at 22½c., bbls included; 500 bbls at 22c., and 100 bbls at 21½c., all with packages exchanged or returned.

REFINED OIL.—The market was unchanged. We note a sale of 500 bbls bonded, at the close of the market, at 51c. Small lots were sold at 52c. Free was held at 7 6@72c.

NAPHTHA.—Was dull, with small sales at 44c. for free.

Oil Receipts per Allegheny River.

Fisher Bros..... 1,106.

Imports Oil per Allegheny Valley R. R.

GOING EAST.

Standard Oil Co., 100 bbls tar, for Philadelphia.

Lockhart & Frew, 21 bbls refined, for Pittsburgh.

IMPORTS BY RAILROAD.

Per Cleveland and Pittsburgh R. R.—J S Liggett & Co, 323 sks wheat; Thos Bell 310 bgs corn; R T Kennedy, 756 bush wheat; S Davenport, 48 bbls plaster; Beckman & Long, 36 mowers comple c; W Stewart, 3 coils wire; J C Jenkins 14 sks wool; Piper & Co, 3 bbls apples; Gordon & Ilgenfritz, 5 bbls apples; J M Lane, 96 bbls apples; 10 pkgs indse; B J Lecklar, 7 bbls eggs; J Cobleuz, 15 bbls cider, 16 do green apples; J C Jenkins, 1 car potatoes; H Garwin & Co, 6 bbls apples; Schultz, Son & Co, 3 pkgs produce; Shriver & Lazear, 24 pkgs apples and potatoes; Godfrey & Carr, 2 sks rags; Potter & Co, 11 bbls apples; 13 bags potatoes; J Buswaller, 7 bbls cider; Patterson & K, 2 pkgs; W Horner, 2 bbls potatoes.

Imports per Allegheny Valley R. R.—Martin, Oliver & Co., 19 bdls iron; W & H Kirkpatrick, 21 bbls eggs; C P Markle, 8 bgs paper.

Imports per P., Ft. W. & C. R. R.—Schoonmaker & Co., 100 bbls flour; E H Meyers, 16 shds mast, 20 boxes do; D. Mantzer, 250 sacks barley, 16 do oats, 20 hams, 25 smoulders, 1 bbl butter; J Knox, 4 pkgs; F H. Lauffman, 100 bbls sheathe, 1 do hoe handles; J Wood, 2 cars metal; J Sullin, 1 car scrap iron; Culp & S, 201 sacks barley.

PITTSBURGH GENERAL MARKETS.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL,
Monday, April 3, 1865.

BUSINESS.—The week just closed was not noted for particular activity in any of the leading articles. The feeling among purchasers, was, that prices would continue to decline, hence, the sales made were very limited for the spring season. The Eastern money market was unsettled. The gold market being more settled than the preceding week, and prices have varied but little from 150, occasionally touching 151c, and sometimes receding to 147. The weather as usual was changeable. The Allegheny river produced another big flood, it was however attended with but little destruction of property. The boats engaged on the Allegheny have met with considerable difficulty up to this time, that stream being to high for navigable purposes. On the Monongahela landing business was not very active. The tonnage being in excess of the business offering. The arrivals, since our last, include the Edinburg, from Louisville, with a good trip; the Bayard, from Parkersburg, with plenty of freight and passengers, and the Emma Graham, from Zanesville, loaded down. The Onward did not leave on Saturday. She will get off this afternoon. The Julia did not leave for Zanesville. She has changed hands and is announced for St. Paul. The Pilgrim left in her place. The Golden Era, for Portsmouth had a good trip. The boats announced are as follows: Spray, for Cincinnati; Armenia, Maggie Hays and Julia, for Upper Mississippi; Carmenillo, for Nashville. The following boats are waiting their turn: Leclair and Edinburg. The sales that came under our notice were as follows:

FLOUR.—The market remains dull. The sales made were only in a small way. The market contains an ample supply with a fair amount of imports by railroad. Among the sales we note Extra Fair, 150 bbls, at $9 25, $9 50, $9 75@10 00; the latter figure for a choice article; sales 50 bbls at $9 47; 44 do at $9 50; 100 bbls do, the terms were withheld. Country lots sold at various prices.

POTATOES.—The demand was not very active; prices for some days were uniform. Sales 150 bush peach blows at $1 10; 50 bbls do at $3 50 per barrel.

BUTTER.—The market contains a fair supply, the receipts being up with the demand. Sales of 12 bbls at 30@31c., 6 do at 28c; 4 do at 33@35c.

EGGS.—The market is steady with a regular trade demand. Sales 14 bbls at 19@20c. The market closed dull. A large lot would not bring the figures named.

SEEDS.—The market was inactive, dealers taking hold sparingly. Timothy, sales 3 bush at $5; Clover, sales at $14@15; Flax, $3 25@3 50.

WHISKY.—We have nothing new to note in regard to this article. Sales 20 bbls city refined at $2 02½@2 05.

CHEESE.—The supply was ample for all ordinary purposes. Sales 60 boxes Western Reserve at 20½@20½c; 50 do choice at 23@23½c.

BACON.—The market was inactive. The sales made were confined to small lots to meet the wants of the city trade at the following prices: Shoulders, 18@19c, as per quality; Sides, fitted, 20c. Sugar Cured Hams, 22@23½c. Country meat sold lower.

GROCERIES.—Correct prices would be difficult to obtain at this time. The demand was for small lots to meet the present wants of consumers at the following: Cuba, 14@15c; Porto Rico, 16@16½c; Crushed, Pulverized and Granulated, 20@20½c. Coffee dull; Rio held at 33½ 35c. Molasses, small sales at $1 00@1 10, as per quality.

ONIONS.—The demand is improving. Sales, 25 bush at $2 00@3 00 a bush.

APPLES.—The demand was steady, with regular sales at $4 00@5 00 @ bbl, some 200 bbls being disposed of at those prices.

HAY.—The receipts of the past few days have been light; 10 loads were disposed of at the scales at $30 00@40 00 per ton. Baled was sold from 30 to 35 per ton.

GRAIN.—The market remains dull with more sellers than buyers. Corn can be purchased at $1 00 in the car, and $1 05 at the store. Oats—Small sales are held at $1 05. Oats not very active; sales 400 bush at 86@87c. Wheat dull; prices nominal. We will apply to other descriptions of grain.

LARD.—Dull; prices nominal at 22@22½.

SALT.—Market inactive; sales 100 bbls at $1 00

Pittsburgh Iron and Nail Market.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL,
Saturday, April 1, 1865.

BUSINESS was inactive, and the orders from abroad come in very slow. The market contains a fair supply. The following are the card prices:

FLAT BAR.

	₩ lb
1¼ to 6, by ¾ to 1 inch	6½
1¼ to 6, by 1 to 1½ inch	6½
1¼ to 1½, by ¾ to ⅞ inch	6½
1¼ to 1½, by ½ to ⅝ inch	6½

HORSE SHOE.

	₩ lb
⅝ to 1, by 5-16 to ⅝ inch	7

HEAVY BAND IRON.

2 to 6, by ¼ to 5-16 inch	6½
2 to 6, by ⅜ to 7-16 inch	6½
2 to 6, by ½ and 9-16 inch	6½
2 to 6, by ⅝ and 5-8-16 inch	6½
2 to 2¾, by ¾ and 3-8 inch	6½

HOOP AND LIGHT BAND.

2¼ to 6 inch	6½
1¾ and 2	6½
1¼ and 1½	6½
and 1¼	6½
¾ inch	10
½ inch	10

Hoops cut to specified lengths, ¼ cent per pound extra.

ROUND AND SQUARE.

	₩ lb		₩ lb
1 to 2¼ inch	6½	¼ and 9-16 inch	6
2¼ to 3½	6½	⅜ to 7-16 inch	6
3½ to 3¾	6½	⅝ inch	6
3¾ to 4 inch	6½	½ inch	6
⅝ and ¾ inch	6½	Whitely Creek	6

OVAL IRON.

	₩ lb		₩ lb
⅝ to ½ inch	6½	¼ inch	6½
⅝ and ½ inch	6	⅜ inch	6½

HALF OVAL AND HALF ROUND.

	₩ lb		₩ lb
⅜ to ½ inch	6	¼ inch	6½
⅜ and ½ inch	6½	⅜ inch	6½

WAGON BOX IRON.

	₩ lb
No. 10 to 17	7½
18 to 24	8
25 and 26	8½
27	9

All sheets over 28 inches wide, ¼ ₩ lb extra.

PLATES.

3-16, ¼ and 5-16 inch	7½
Over 30 inches in width, ¼ cent ₩ lb extra.	

FLAT RAILS

Punched and counter sunk.

1¼ to 2, by ½ to ⅝ inch	6
1¼ by ⅝ and 7-16 inch	6½
1¼ by ¾, 7-16 and ½ inch	6½
1¼ by ⅝ inch	7

Juniata Iron 2½@3 ₩ lb over "American."

PLOW HANDLE IRON.

Plow Handle Iron	7

NAIL RODS.

Juniata	12

NAILS.

	₩ keg		₩ keg
10d to 60d Nails, c'm'n	6 87½	3d Fine	8 87½
8d and 9d	6 87½	2d	9 87½
6d and 7d	7 12½	4in. Lining	9 87½
4d and 5d	7 37½	Clinch	8 12½
3d	7 87½	Cut Spikes	6 87½
2d	8 87½		
Casing Nails	7 62	Barrel	
10d	7 37	2 inch	8 87½
8d	7 37	1 inch	8 87½
6d	7 37	3-4 inch	7 87½
4d	7 37½	½ inch	7 87½
3d	7 87½	Tobacco	6 87½
Finishing		8d	7 37
8d	8 12	6d	7 37
8d	7 87½	8d	7 12
6d	7 62½	10d	6 87
12d	7 62½		
16d	7 62		

12½ cents per keg off, in lots of 100 kegs or upwards.

1 cent per pound off Iron (except sheet iron), in lots of 20 tons.

Prices subject to changes of the market without notice.

TERMS.—Note or acceptance at 60 days with exchange on New York, or a discount of 3 per cent. for cash, if remitted on receipt of invoice. Payments to be made in New York exchange, U. S. Treasury Notes, or their equivalent. No discount on bills of less amount than fifty dollars.

Pittsburgh Copper Market.

SATURDAY, March 25, 1865.

The market remains inactive. Prices have further declined. The following are the rates up to last evening, viz:

Braziers' Rolls, Bars and Sheathing, ₩ lb	56c
Copper Bottoms	66c
Ingots	48c

IMPORTS BY RIVER.

Parkersburg.

PER STEAMER BAYARD.—Clarke & Co, 1 box and 14 sks wool, 12 do mdz, 18 bbls eggs; W P Logan, 1 pkg oil bbls; Pierce and Armstrong, 3,000 hoop poles; J Gracie & Co, 78 oil bbls; owner, 5 head cattle; Scadlin, 2,725 hoop poles; Baker & Co, lot furniture; A Hilcom, 291 sks feed; G W Jones, 4 pkgs; Bingham & Sturgeon, 69 sks oats, 8½ doz brooms; owner, 575 bdls paper; F Vangordor, 18 bbls seed; W Jones, 16 sks seed; 6 bbls seed; Pittsburgh Paper Co, 49 bdls paper; J Gilmore, 60 bbls O R water; A V R R, 6 pkgs; Rockwell, Pears & Co, 145 ps brick; Nolle & Co, 21 sks wheat; Voigt, 8 pkgs, W H Garrard, 403 sks barley; J Herbert, 60 bbls apples.

Louisville.

PER EDINBURG—Clarke & Co, 93 hhds tobacco, 20 bales rags, 903 bbls starch and 300 boxes starch; Baker & Smith, 102 packages; E D Diethridge, 4 boxes; B Moran, 2 packages; Childs & Co, 20 bales hemp; Ilsworth, Porter & Co, 9 kegs bacon; James Rees, 2 bbls; W Blair, 16 pkgs; T B Young & Co, 27 pieces furniture; Clark & Co, 26 rolls leather; Forsyth, Bro & Co, 339 oil bbls; Patterson Ammon, 18 bbls apples; McClurker, Herron & Co, 200 bbls flour; J R Davis, 100 bbls flour.

Parkersburg.

PER MINERVA—Owner 77 bbls apples, 11 pkgs; R Henderson 15 p